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Arap Moi is firm in saddle

NAIROBI, Aug. 2 (Agencies) — Kenyan government troops appeared firmly in control of Nairobi Monday following an abortive attempt by dissident air force personnel to topple President Daniel Arap Moi and his civilian government Sunday.

Scattered shooting continued in the capital Monday but diplomatic sources said many of an estimated 300 to 400 leaders of the attempted coup were now believed to be killed or rounded up. Large parts of central Nairobi were almost deserted with shops and offices closed. Rare passers-by held up their hands and identity papers to avoid being mistaken for looters or rebels.

There was fierce shooting early Monday around the Hilton Hotel in the city center when rebels, who apparently spent the night in a neighboring building, fired in security forces. The hotel management said one Japanese tourist had been killed filming the clash from his hotel window and two other foreigners had been wounded.

Diplomatic sources said one foreign woman was killed by a misdirected mortar bomb elsewhere in the city but casualties among foreigners appeared light. There were no official details of casualties among the rebels, troops or looters.

Many of the Hilton's 350 guests were terrorized throughout Sunday by rebels with automatic rifles who invaded the hotel and by looters who ransacked ground floor shops. The management said one young woman from the United States had been molested and three hotel staff were shot and wounded.

President Moi and his cabinet met Monday and decided that a 13-hour overnight curfew on Nairobi and Nanyuki districts some 200 kms to the north would continue until further notice. The government also announced the closure of the University of Nairobi and ordered students to return to their home areas.

Some students demonstrated in the streets in support of the rebels Sunday. Diplomatic sources said the rebels appear to have included junior air force officers and that there was only scant organization in both the planning and execution of their attempted coup. The core of the rebel forces was made up of air force combat troops trained to guard bases and other installations, the sources added.

The same sources said army units took control of air force installations at Embakasi and Eastleigh near Nairobi overnight. They were carrying out mopping-up operations at the air force base at Nanyuki early Monday, the sources added. The curfew in Nairobi and Nanyuki comes into force at 6 p.m. (1500 GMT) and ends at 7 a.m. (0400 GMT).

An eyewitness said Monday that two sons of Arap Moi escaped injury in the early moments of the attempted coup. The source, who declined to be named, said 10 air force men entered the Pasha night club in central Nairobi early Sunday morning. Gideon Moi and another son whose name was not determined were there, with the bodyguards.

The rebels recognized the Moi youths, both secondary school students, but did not harm them, the witness said. He said the four security men were shot. Afterward, the rebels made the Moises lie on the dance floor, along with other patrons, while they departed.

U.N. to resume arms cut parleys

GENEVA, Aug. 2 (R) — The United Nations reopened its long-standing talks on disarmament Tuesday, one month after a special General Assembly session on arms reductions ended in failure.

The 40-nation disarmament committee, which had hoped the special session would give a new impetus to its work, will spend the coming months reviewing the draft program on disarmament that the General Assembly rejected and proposing new initiatives for another session. Working groups will continue technical discussions on the committee's agenda which includes study of a nuclear test ban, a curb on chemical weapons and prevention of war in outer space.

Encouraged by growing peace movements in Western Europe and the United States, some delegates had hoped the special session would bring new life to U.N. disarmament talks, which have gone on in one form or another for 30 years.

While that hope appears to have faded, both Washington and Moscow have hinted of new interest in two technical working groups on means to verify compliance with nuclear test bans and a proposed ban on all chemical weapons.

Neither group is expected to produce new agreements, but progress in their talks might spill over into bilateral U.S.-Soviet negotiations, diplomats said. Following President Reagan's decision last month not to pursue talks in a U.S.-British-Soviet working group here on a test-ban treaty, U.S. officials in Washington said they would focus on means to verify compliance with any treaty.

Washington was concerned that present verification measures were not strict enough to ensure Soviet compliance with arms treaties, they told reporters.

For summit with Fahd Yemen leaders arrive

By a Staff Writer
 JEDDAH, Aug. 2 — King Fahd and the presidents of North and South Yemen held a summit meeting here Monday about the situation in the Middle East and the dangers besetting the region, according to a North Yemeni spokesman.

The two Yemeni leaders, Ali Abdullah Saleh and Ali Nasser Muhammad, arrived here from Sanaa on a one-day visit before proceeding to Syria for talks with President Hafez Assad on the same subject. King Fahd was at the airport to welcome the two leaders.

The spokesman said that the purpose of the joint visit was to review the consequences of the Israeli invasion and occupation of Lebanon and the dangers that it poses to the whole Arab world.

"Our country," he said "is ready to contribute whatever military capabilities it can muster toward a joint Arab military endeavor."

He said that Arabs must combine and present a united front to confront the Israeli aggression on the Palestinian and Lebanese peoples and work with all possible means to eject the Israelis from Lebanon and lift the siege of Beirut.

"The need for a joint Arab strategy is great," he added. "And we ought to strive to regain our rights and specially those of the Palestinians who are entitled to self-determination."

The meeting will also involve joint consultations in order to speed up the process of Arab unity in the face of unprecedented aggression.

In talks with Shamir Lebanon accord vital, Reagan says

WASHINGTON, Aug. 2 (Agencies) — President Ronald Reagan Monday said the world "can no longer accept a situation of constantly escalating violence" in Lebanon, after meeting here with Israeli Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir.

"A diplomatic settlement of the current problem of West Beirut is the essential first step in ending the trauma of Lebanon," the president said in a statement released after the 20-minute meeting.

Shortly before the meeting began, White House spokesman Larry Speakes said that special U.S. envoy Philip Habib's efforts to try to negotiate a settlement to the crisis had reached an "extremely sensitive and delicate stage."

The White House statement afterward said Reagan had stressed to Shamir the "need for a complete end by all parties to the hostilities in and around Beirut as a prerequisite" to enable Habib to continue his mission.

On leaving the White House meeting, the Israeli minister said the main problem "after all" was the departure of the Palestine Liberation Organization from Beirut and Lebanon. When asked if Reagan had expressed impatience with developments, Shamir replied: "All of us are impatient."

Shamir refused to answer journalists' questions regarding the unanimous vote by the United Nations Security Council Sunday calling for an immediate end to fighting in Lebanon and the deployment of U.N. observers in the Lebanese capital. Reagan's statement also made no mention of the council resolution nor reports by Israeli state radio that the Israeli government will not give an official reaction to the vote until the end of the week.

Shamir said the Israeli government was convinced that the PLO would not withdraw from either Beirut or Lebanon "unless they understand that they must do that either by negotiating or by other means." The foreign minister reaffirmed that "there is not any deadline" but he warned that "it cannot last forever."

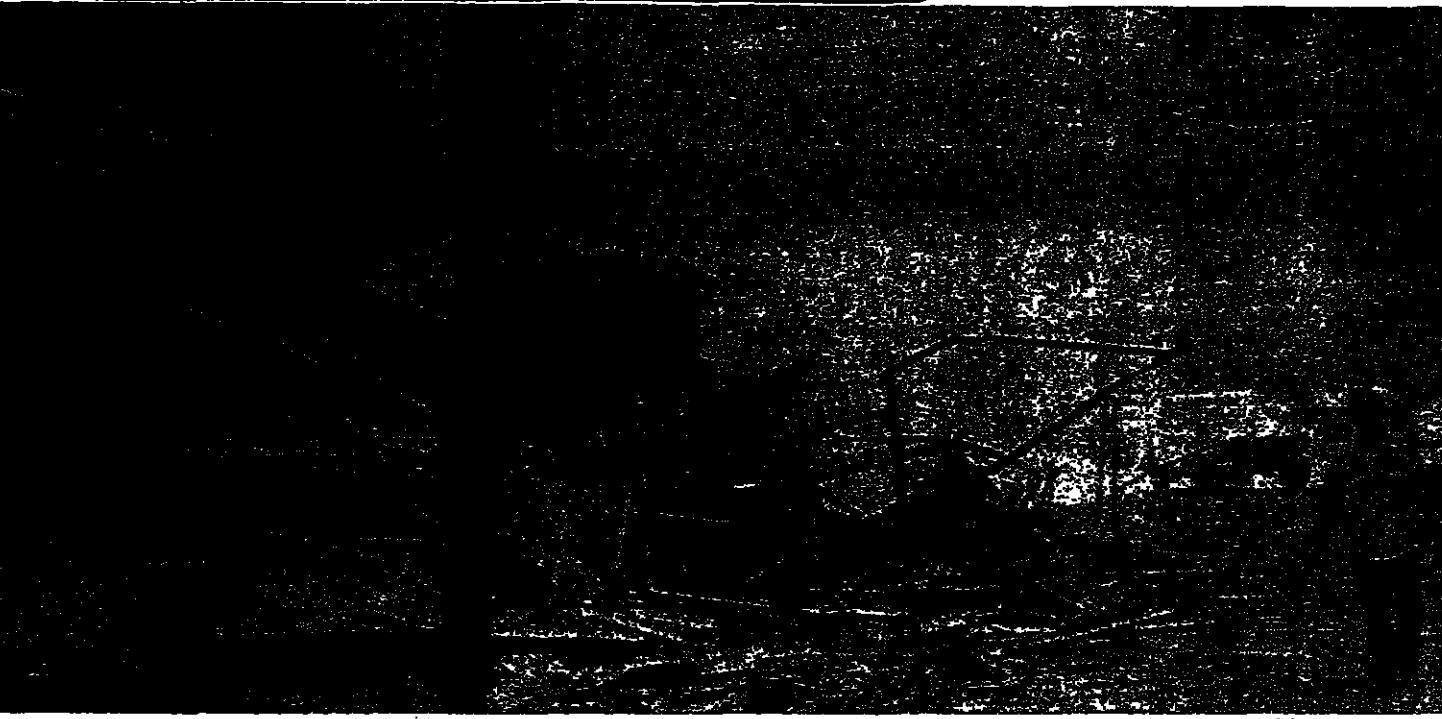
Meanwhile, the White House reaffirmed Reagan's "total support" for Habib and said "no major revision" of U.S. policy in the Mideast was foreseen. The comment followed a report Sunday in *The Boston Globe* in which an anonymous senior government source said Washington was about to make such policy changes and replace Habib.

Speakes added that the country's Mideast policy was constantly re-examined in view of new developments but firmly denied any forthcoming change.

Meanwhile, Farouk Kaddoumi, head of the political department of the PLO, said Palestinian commandos will not withdraw from Beirut until an Arab six-point peace plan for Lebanon, drawn up last week, is fully implemented.

Kaddoumi made the statement after arriving in Kuwait on the fourth leg of a Gulf tour. He earlier visited Qatar and the United Arab Emirates after attending the meeting in Saudi Arabia which formulated the six-point plan. The plan stipulates an Israeli withdrawal from around the Lebanese capital and a guarantee of the safety of the Palestinian refugee camps in Lebanon, in addition to calling for the withdrawal of Palestinian commandos from Beirut. But it does not set any timetable or say which steps must be carried out in what order.

"If the plan is implemented, it would be followed by a Palestinian withdrawal from the western sector of the capital," Kaddoumi said. "Otherwise, we are not going to withdraw from there."



DEVASTATION: A man walks past the rubble of destroyed buildings in the Arab University area of Beirut on Saturday. Israeli gunners, surrounding Beirut supported by gunboats and warplanes, pounded residential areas in the heart of besieged West Beirut. Scores of people were killed and many others wounded and a large number of buildings were destroyed.

Annihilation decried Halt Israelis, Brezhnev tells Reagan

MOSCOW, Aug. 2 (R) — Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev has called on President Reagan to take urgent steps to halt Israeli military action in Lebanon, Tass news agency said Monday.

In what the official Soviet news agency called a personal message, President Brezhnev called on Reagan "to use most urgently the possibilities at his disposal to stop the continuing annihilation of people in Beirut." It was the second such appeal in a month by Brezhnev to Reagan over the crisis and followed a more toughly-worded message early last month in which the Kremlin chief warned Washington against sending U.S. troops to the Lebanon.

Tass quoted Brezhnev as saying in the note that the situation in Lebanon was now so serious and critical that the most prompt measures were required. Brezhnev had stressed that the tragedy of Lebanon and especially that of the population of Beirut would remain "an indelible stain also on the conscience of those who could stop the aggressor but did not do so." Tass said. The latter comment was clearly directed at what Moscow sees as U.S. support for Israeli military actions in Lebanon.

Fresh flare-up in W. Beirut

BEIRUT, Aug. 2 (R) — Intermittent artillery exchanges broke out between Israeli siege forces and trapped Palestinian commandos early Monday, 12 hours after the latest ceasefire went into effect, but they were later reported to have died down.

State-run Beirut radio said the artillery duels flared close to the paralyzed international airport, overrun by Israeli forces Sunday under cover of a massive land, sea and air barrage. They subsided after midday (1000 GMT), the radio said. Sources in the leadership of the Palestinian and Lebanese nationalist commandos in West Beirut said Monday's fighting began when the Israelis advanced into the suburb of Havy Al-Sullam, east of the airport.

The half million civilians of West Beirut meanwhile were recovering from Sunday's 14-hour assault which devastated wide areas of the suburbs and hit residential areas close to the center of town. The independent newspaper *Al-Nahar* said 200 persons had been killed and 400 wounded.

An Israeli column of 30 tanks and armored vehicles took up position Sunday morning in East Beirut near the museum, the main checkpoint between East and West Beirut. Asked by reporters what the column was doing there, an Israeli army spokesman, Col. Ben Zvi, said it might indicate a change in Israeli positions.

The journalists saw nothing to indicate that Israeli armor was taking up a permanent position in the museum sector. But the column represented the biggest Israeli deployment inside East Beirut. On the demarcation line beside the museum, Israeli armored troop carriers were parked among occupied residences in the Badaro district. The district is next to Beirut race track, hit several times Sunday by Israeli warplanes.

Israel ponders U.N. observers plan

UNITED NATIONS, Aug. 2 (Agencies) — Israel has withheld agreement to the deployment of U.N. observers around Beirut to monitor the latest ceasefire, Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar said Sunday night.

The Israeli cabinet will hold a special meeting at the end of the week to consider the U.N. resolution, Israeli state radio reported Monday. Citing an authoritative source, the radio said cabinet members would await the return of Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir from Washington before taking a position on the resolution.

But the Palestine Liberation Organization Chairman Yasser Arafat has informed the U.N. the Palestinians would cooperate with the U.N. truce observers being deployed in Beirut.

The U.N. council, in a resolution Sunday that included a demand for an end to all military activity in Lebanon, ordered the secretary general to report back in four hours on deployment of U.N. observers in the Beirut area. Cuellar missed the council's deadline by about 90 minutes, partly, it seemed because he was on a visit to Tunisia and had to be consulted by telephone.

In his two-page report, he said the deployment of observers would be possible "only with the cooperation of all the parties and if a ceasefire is effectively achieved." He said Lt. Gen. Alexander Erskine, chief of staff of the U.N. truce supervision organization, discussed the implementation of the council resolution with Israeli officials in Tel Aviv.

The officials told the general "this was a very important matter which had to be brought before the Israeli cabinet," Cuellar reported. "Gen. Erskine would be advised as soon as the cabinet had discussed this question," he added.

Meanwhile, Soviet Russia Sunday called upon the Security Council to take urgent steps to end what it called "a large-scale offensive against West Beirut" by Israeli forces.

The official Soviet news agency Tass said "The leading circles of the Soviet Union hold that adoption of measures to cut short the aggression must not be put off any longer." "The U.N. Security Council should urgently discuss and take against the aggressor every measure envisaged by the charter of the United Nations," Tass said in an official statement, a format reflecting the views of senior Soviet leaders.

Tory popularity soars

LONDON, Aug. 2 (AP) — Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher's ruling Conservatives have a commanding lead over the opposition Labor Party and Social Democratic-Liberal Party alliance, according to the latest opinion poll Monday.

The survey published in *The Guardian* newspaper, in which 1,849 voters were questioned between July 15-17, gave Mrs. Thatcher's party 45 percent of the vote. Labor 33 percent, the Liberal-SDP alliance 14 percent and others three percent.

Last winter as British unemployment approached the record 3 million mark, Mrs. Thatcher's popularity was the lowest for any post-war prime minister with around 25 percent support. But her ratings soared after her decisive response to the Argentine seizure of the Falkland Islands April 2 and the recapture of the colony June 14.

Asked which of the party leaders would make the best prime minister, 40 percent said Mrs. Thatcher, compared with 19 percent favoring Liberal leader David Steel, 13 percent for Labor leader Michael Foot and 12 percent for the SDP's Roy Jenkins.

Mrs. Thatcher last month ruled out an early general election to cash in on her popularity. Her five-year term does not end until May 1984.

U.S. unveils Tiger Shark

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 2 (R) — The latest U.S. fighter, a sleek, graceful plane named the Tiger Shark, was unveiled in Los Angeles Sunday.

Press spokesmen for Northrop Corporation, the plane's manufacturer, said they expected it would provide a big challenge in the marketplace to the British Harrier, French Mirage and U.S. General Dynamics F-16, a trimmed-down F-15.

Just one thing was missing from the sun-soaked roll-out ceremony. "Not a single order has yet been received for the new aircraft," the Tiger Shark program manager, Bob Gates, told reporters. "This is a most unique situation," said Les Daly, Northrop's vice president for public affairs. "Usually, a manufacturer does not start building a plane until he has a number of firm orders. We are doing it the other way around."

The single-engine F-3G Tiger Shark, named for its long, slim-shaped nose, was built by Northrop without U.S. government funds. It was designed as a relatively low-cost fighter built to fit the defense needs of developing countries.

"The planes will sell for about \$9 million each," a press spokesman said. "The Tiger Shark, due to fly for the first time next month, is intended to counter Soviet MiG-21 and MiG-23 aircraft being deployed in large quantities around the world," the press spokesman said.

The aircraft, powered by a General Electric F-414 engine, can carry six sidewinder missiles. "The scramble time is faster than that of any other fighter," he said. "Three minutes after the pilot straps himself in, the Tiger Shark can be flying at 518 meters more than 16 kilometers from its base."

"Our studies have led us to believe there is a total market for 2,500 planes such as the Tiger Shark," Daly said. "We expect to eventually receive orders for more than 1,000 Tiger Sharks." But some developing countries would undoubtedly delay any decision on buying the Tiger Shark until it had flown, he said.

Northrop has invested more than \$300 million in the program. Gates said Northrop had received U.S. government permission — necessary in the sale of military weapons — to approach 42 countries to sell the aircraft. "We are talking to many of these countries," he said. "There has been a lot of activity in the Middle East and in some Asian countries." He did not elaborate.

The government decided recently, however, that the plane could not be sold at present to Taiwan. Northrop had built more than 3,500 F-3 fighters, a predecessor of the Tiger Shark being flown by more than 30 countries.

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GOSI insurance dates, benefits spelled out

TAIF, Aug. 2 (SPA) — Details about occupational accident insurance, when it will be effective, and what provisions and benefits are provided were spelled out here Monday by General Organization of Social Insurance (GOSI) Governor Muhammad Ali Al-Faez.

Insurance will be in force as of November 1 for companies and organizations operating on the Gregorian calendar and October 18 for those following the Hijra calendar.

Faez made a statement after a meeting of the GOSI board which was under the chairmanship of Labor and Social Affairs Minister Ibrahim Al-Anqari. The board also approved the financial accounts for the 1981-82 fiscal year for GOSI and the National Hospital of Riyadh, affiliated to the organization.

Faez said the board made several decisions in regard to organizational subjects for GOSI.

GOSI made an experimental introduction of the occupational hazards branch several months ago. Within one month, the organization reported that some 250,000 persons employed by 250 establishments came to benefit from the new system.

The other branch now implemented for nine years, is the pension sector which has under its umbrella about 495,363 subscribers working in 8,112 private and 980 public institutions.

Faez said recently that GOSI has completed a most significant chain of its functions in the sphere of manpower welfare in the Kingdom.

The occupational hazards branch ensures medical care needed for injured employees, ranging from expert services, to diagnosis and hospitalization, or treatment at convalescence centers and supply of artificial limbs or any medical or surgical requirements.

The injured employee has expenses covered for transportation from their place of work or residence to the medical center or hospital where they are to be treated. They will be given full care without any limitation in the period required for treatment.

In case an employee becomes disabled as a result of an injury, he receives a daily allowance equal to 75 percent of his normal wages or 50 percent during his stay in a medical center for treatment, Faez said.

The social insurance system dates back to 1969, at that time, the pensions and occupational hazards branches were planned. Pensions were implemented throughout the Kingdom in 1973, while occupational hazards insurance was delayed because of the necessary medical and other requirements involved.

Faez stressed that expatriate and national workers are treated on equal basis.

Riyadh, Kuwait endorse pact

RIYADH, Aug. 2 (SPA) — An agreement on the legalization of Saudi Arabian citizens claiming properties in the neutral zone between Saudi Arabia and Kuwait was endorsed here Monday by the interior ministers of the two countries. The accord, called the Taif Agreement, covers all real estate, farms, land, workshops and shops. It also regulates the residence of company workers in the zone.

A statement said that Interior Minister Prince Naif and his Kuwaiti counterpart endorsed the agreement reached at the Taif meeting last July 11-12 between senior officials from both countries.

The Kuwaiti government will, before the end of next January, issue ownership deeds for the houses, empty land, workshops and shops already surveyed and mentioned in the negotiations file. Up to now, 875 cases have been surveyed.

Proprietors will then be allowed to renovate and expand their assets within their prescribed limits. Moreover, 18 months from now, housing forms for a 400 square meter area each will be available for every case. They will be handed to those possessing ownership deeds. In case any person

already owned more than the authorized 400 square meters, such person will receive financial compensation from the Kuwaiti government for the excess land, with a ceiling of 2,500 square meters. Applications will be received for three months, starting this September and documents, however, should not be more than 16 years old.

The Kuwaiti government will expropriate the workshops and shops, assess their value, prepare industrial forms and build shops in the areas allotted for this purpose. Former owners whose rights have been established will be given new shops and workshops at a symbolic rent.

As far as farms are concerned, the Kuwaiti government will issue documents acknowledging their ownership by Saudi Arabian citizens. Thirteen farms have been surveyed. The ceiling will be fixed by a joint technical commission which will be in session for a month, beginning November 1982. Ownership deeds will be issued by Kuwait before the end of next January. The two countries will also facilitate farming and residence formalities for each other's nationals in the neutral zone.

SR100m Jubail methanol plant contract won

RIYADH, Aug. 2 (SPA) — Three Saudi Arabian companies have won contracts amounting to SR 100 million to build a methanol plant at the industrial city of Jubail. The plant, one of the biggest of its kind in the world will go on stream in 1984, with an annual production capacity of 650,000 tons of ethanol.

The three companies, the Al-Yosr Saudi Corporation, the Saudi Union of Contractors and the Saudi Corporation for Research and Development signed the contracts with a Saudi Arabian methanol company known as "Ibn Sina", an affiliate of the Saudi Basic Industries Corporation (SABIC).

Quality lab turns down 10% of imported items

DAMMAM, Aug. 2 (SPA) — About 10 percent of 8,870 samples of foodstuffs and perfumes analyzed by the Quality Control Laboratories of Dammam were rejected either for not conforming with the specifications they claim or being unfit for human consumption.

According to the laboratory's director, Ahmad Alawi Qassim, the samples were referred to his department during the past three months. The Eastern Province Customs, commercial fraud committees and municipalities send the samples to the quality control laboratory.

"All samples underwent chemical and bacterial analysis to ensure that they all conformed with the mandatory specifications and are fit for human consumption," Qassim said.

Baha's airport is inaugurated

JEDDAH, Aug. 2 (SPA) — A SR275 million new Baha airport was inaugurated Monday by the governor of Baha Ibrahim Al-Ibrahim on behalf of the Second Deputy Premier and Defense and Aviation Minister Prince Sultan.

The airport constructed by Saudi Arabian companies is equipped with sophisticated equipment and can receive all kinds of airliners.

Have information about local news? Important upcoming events? Contributors with information about local news or stories of local interest should contact Dave Kaiser at 653-4743 or 653-2911, Jeddah.

On crisis in Lebanon

Arab leaders hail Fahd; condemn Israeli aggression

RIYADH, Aug. 2 (SPA) — Arab action to confront Israeli policies based on aggression and expansion was called for Monday by Habib Chatti, secretary-general of the Islamic Conference Organization (ICO). At the same time, Rafiq Al-Natsha, Fatah's representative to Saudi Arabia hailed King Fahd's great role in containing the Lebanese crisis and stopping the shedding of Lebanese and Palestinian blood.

Chatti urged the Arab countries to "reconsider their relations with those states which supported the Arab nation's enemy." He also called on the Islamic states to respond positively to the Palestine Liberation Organization's (PLO) Chairman Yasser Arafat's recent call which highlighted "the dangers of Israel's genocidal aggression on the Palestinian people and Lebanese people."

"Islamic leaders are called upon to expert all their efforts to put and to this tragedy," Chatti said.

In an interview with *Al-Madina* Natsha also lauded King Fahd's efforts to "ensure Beirut's safety and the future of the Palestinian commando movement."

He said the Palestinians were fully satisfied with the Saudi Arabian monarch's "firm and serious stand to face the invaders."

Natsha wondered how long the Arabs would "observe silence," although Palestinian and Lebanese peoples were killed and

burned and Israel was attempting to "storm West Beirut." He noted that neither the U.S. nor Israel wanted peace. "They want to oppress the Palestinian and Lebanese peoples," he said.

The Fatah representative said the Israeli aim was to "finally liquidate with the help of the U.S. Palestinian presence" in Lebanon. Tunisian Prime Minister Muhammad Mazali was quoted in the same issue as saying he was proud of the Palestinian commando movement's "stiff struggle against the Israeli evil invasion of Lebanon."

Mazali said it was for the first time that Israeli forces directly faced Palestinian fighters. He noted that the Palestinian commando movement was to "declare in 1983 a peaceful initiative based on King Fahd's eight-point peace plan for the Middle East and Tunisian President Habib Bourguiba's peace project which he announced in 1965."

Mazali stressed that Arab moderate states had achieved much more positive results than countries which claimed steadfastness.

He deplored what he called the passive stand adopted by certain Arab politicians, saying this had "exposed their falsehood."

The Tunisian premier called for Arab solidarity and unity, affirming that the Arabs were "primarily suffering from a crisis of morals and civilization."

Qaddafi's 'childish behavior' cited

RIYADH, Aug. 2 (SPA) — Efforts to create trouble and problems for the Arab nation, made by Libyan leader Muammar Qaddafi and his country's information media were deplored Monday by *Al-Riyadh*. The publication accused Qaddafi of exploiting the information media to disseminate "cheap propaganda" against the Kingdom and other Arab states which ardently supported the Palestinian and Arab causes.

The paper said the Kingdom, under the leadership of King Fahd, had exerted all possible efforts to preserve the Palestinian com-

mando movement's "honor, dignity and existence."

It criticized Qaddafi's "childish behavior" and called on him to present a solution or practical plan to check the Israeli advance on Beirut airport, "but, we do not want him to assume a political or military role," the paper said.

Another newspaper, *Al-Jazirah* said Qaddafi's behavior and attitude was amounting to "open opposition to Arab causes."

The paper regretted Qaddafi's enmity towards Islam and his call on Muslims not to perform pilgrimage.

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New buses, shelters, prepaid tickets predicted 'soon' by SAPTCO officials

By Ibrahim Al-Ahmedi

JEDDAH, Aug. 2 — The purchase of more double-decker buses, approval of designs for passenger shelters and implementation of a new prepaid bus ticket system, promise to improve and upgrade bus services both here and in other cities of the Kingdom, according to spokesmen for the Saudi Arabian Public Transport System (SAPTCO).

SAPTCO began operation on February 20, 1980. At that time the firm had 21 buses, four routes and carried 15,000 passengers per day. As of this summer the firm had a total of 270 buses, 70 of which were double-deckers, and carried 191,000 passengers per day.

"We have made a great deal of progress over the last year in reducing the waiting time of passengers by increasing the frequency of buses on our most heavily utilized routes, such as Makkah and Madinah Roads," explained Bandar Ghazzawi, deputy resident manager. "We now have 18 routes covering nearly 60,000 km every day and plans are underway to purchase more buses, especially the double-decker type, but there are manufacturing limitations which do not allow for the delivery of buses as soon as we would like them."

Ghazzawi confirmed that the SAPTCO project to provide passengers with shelters has been underway for "some time now." He explained that numerous shelter designs have been reviewed to find one which would be functional in blocking out the sun and at the

same time aesthetically pleasing to the eye and fit in with Jeddah's architecture.

"We have picked a design and a firm has been selected to supply the shelters," he said. "Initial shelter locations have been designated at the most heavily used bus stops and we should begin to see them in the near future."

Other efforts taken by SAPTCO to improve its service will be the establishment of a prepaid ticket program. Such a system was begun in Riyadh on a trial basis and was very successful. According to Saad Ekmimi, manager of marketing, the decision has been made to start this program in Jeddah soon and SAPTCO is now in the process of printing tickets, allocating the necessary staff and establishing ticket sales points. The program is expected to be operational within a short time.

Preventive maintenance is also very important in maintaining customer service according to Paul Jablonski, assistant operations manager.

"It is true that buses do break down," Jablonski said "but statistically speaking the number of break downs that occur here is in line with most well established public transport systems."

"Given this fact there are two ways that we cope with the problem," he said. "The first is to try to repair or tow the broken down vehicle as soon as possible. This entails communication between road supervision and the maintenance department. Road maintenance crews are available 24 hours a day to repair

vehicles broken down in the street."

"The second is our preventive maintenance inspection program. This entails a very detailed inspection of each bus every 5000 to identify potential problems before they occur. This program is responsible for the prevention of hundreds of mechanical problems each month. This is a sound and proven maintenance practice which SAPTCO stresses heavily."

Ekmimi said SAPTCO now has operating facilities in Riyadh, Dammam, Qasim, Jeddah, Makkah, Madinah and Taif, all providing city service. With regard to service between cities there have been long established links in the Western region between Jeddah, Makkah, Madinah and Taif.

Service has also recently been introduced to Yanbu from Jeddah and Madinah. Service has also been introduced between Dammam and Riyadh. It is anticipated that service between Riyadh and Taif linking the capital with the Western Region will be implemented within the near future. It will then be possible to travel to each major city in the Kingdom via SAPTCO buses.

"At present, Ekmimi explained, there are no fixed regulations regarding passengers' personal belongings as long as it is within reason and that it is personal carry luggage that will fit into the bus luggage compartments. Very shortly, we hope to introduce a package express service by which for a reasonable fee people may be able to ship goods to other cities via SAPTCO buses.

Passengers can help out

JEDDAH, Aug. 2 — The efficient operation of the SAPTCO bus system, according to company spokesmen, is also greatly dependent upon the cooperation of its passengers. The following points were emphasized in order to make the driver's job more easier and to make everyone's ride more pleasing:

1. Where there are many passengers waiting for a single bus, line up in a row to board the vehicle. Loading time will be lessened and there will be no pushing and shoving whereby someone may be hurt.
2. Have your one rival note ready in hand as you board the bus. Put the SR1 into the farebox directly and make sure that the driver gives a ticket receipt.
3. Refrain from smoking on the bus as you may be offending non-smoking passengers.
4. Take any trash off the bus and deposit it in a proper waste disposal. This will make everyone's ride more enjoyable.
5. If the bus is crowded and you must stand please move to the rear of the bus so that others may board.
6. Signal your requested stop to the driver in advance of the upcoming bus stop so as to give the driver plenty of time to manoeuvre safely. If another person signals your stop there's no need for you to signal again.
7. Wait only at SAPTCO designated bus stops. Don't expect drivers to drop you off or pick you up between stops. If they are caught, they will be penalized.



DOWNTOWN JEDDAH: Passenger demand for buses has increased dramatically in all parts of the Kingdom and particularly so in Jeddah according to officials of the Saudi Arabian Public Transportation Corporation. This photograph shows buses mired in traffic during the pilgrimage season. Drivers receive special training to negotiate traffic like this.

Training emphasizes courtesy, safe driving

JEDDAH, Aug. 2 — Bus drivers in the Kingdom are trained to have common courtesy and use safe driving according to Bandar Ghazzawi, deputy resident manager of the Saudi Arabian Transportation Corporation

(SAPTCO). He emphasized that the bus driver himself is an important link between SAPTCO and its passengers.

"Our drivers are involved in public relations every minute that they are behind the wheel of a bus," Ghazzawi explained. "How he drives and how he treats people is very important."

"As some of our drivers do not speak Arabic, common courtesy and safe driving are foremost," he said. Each new driver goes through a comprehensive training program lasting between 17 and 23 days. Seven full days are spent in basic defensive driver training, equipment familiarization, rules of the road, fare collection and passenger relations.

"The next 10-15 days, depending on the learning ability of each student, are spent on the street in actual traffic conditions, learning routes and other driving techniques. Occasionally drivers do have problems. If these are highlighted the driver may be brought back from regular duty to under re-training."

There are a variety of tools that SAPTCO uses to judge each of its routes. One is reports

by supervisory staff in the streets, riding the buses. Another is the taking of passenger surveys to determine ridership on a specific route during a specific period of time. Another is through the use of statistical performance standards. At present each route is analyzed through the use of some 20 statistical standards. All of these combined tend to tell where buses are not being used productively and where additional capacity is required.

Quality controllers and supervisory staff are continuously in the streets checking on schedule adherence, and driver performance. All this is done in an attempt to maximize the satisfaction of customers.

These people insure that buses keep to schedule. And that drivers operate their buses professionally and safely. Drivers found committing violations of the company rules are reported.

Each driver is interviewed and his driving record reviewed. Penalties can take the form of written warnings, suspension or even termination if the infraction is serious enough or committed continuously.

SAPTCO, airlines prepare special pilgrim operation

JEDDAH, Aug. 2 — The Saudi Arabian Public Transport Company (SAPTCO) will mobilize all potential for the upcoming pilgrimage season, officials said. Equipment and personnel reinforcements will be brought from all areas of the Kingdom to the Western Region to help the pilgrimage operations.

"At times, the demands of hundreds of thousands of travelers far outweigh the capacity of SAPTCO," an official said. The pilgrimage season has a severe impact on the company's inter-city service, especially between Jeddah, Makkah and Madinah.

"Planning for this critical time begins five to six months prior to the pilgrimage," the official said. Detailed plans for this year's season are now being finalized for the movement of buses and drivers.

Meanwhile, transportation services to pilgrims also was the topic of deliberations Sunday at the annual meeting of the Board of Airline Representatives. During the meeting, presided over by the board's chairman, Saad Gabbani, members discussed all issues related to serving pilgrims and also covered obstacles which may face airlines and concerned government departments during the pilgrimage season at the Kingdom's airport.

Ministries represented at the meeting included interior, foreign, pilgrimage and endowments and health. Delegates from Makkah governments, the Presidency of Civil Aviation, Jeddah Traffic, Air Azizya and the Cars Syndicate of Jeddah also attended the meeting.

Summer camps to emphasize youth education, recreation

RIYADH, Aug. 2 (SPA) — Education and recreation will be stressed during three summer camps slated to begin soon, two for athletes from the National Guard, and the other for Arab youth.

A group of 120 athletes from the National Guard will depart Wednesday for Munich, West Germany, to participate in a 40-day camp. The Munich camp was approved by National Guard Undersecretary Abdul Aziz Al-Tuwaijri Sunday as one of two camps to be held for the Guard's athletes. The second will be organized in Taif.

The group departing for Munich include: 30 field and track athletes, 15 volleyball and 15 basketball players, in addition to administrators and coaching crews. Nasser Al-Abdul Aziz Al-Umair, the Guard's sports affairs director general, will head the group.

Meanwhile, the Taif camp began Monday with about 200 athletes taking part. The athletes are divided into two groups with 100

persons in each representing all sports activities.

The 10th Arab "working camp" will also begin in Taif Aug. 4 and last until Aug. 24 with the participation of 11 Arab countries, in addition to the Kingdom.

The "Work camp", organized by the Presidency of Youth Welfare, will have 130 youths from the Kingdom taking part, according to Taif Presidency Director Muhammad Al-Namshan. Bahrain, Kuwait, Qatar, the United Arab Emirates, Oman, Iraq, Jordan, Sudan, Tunisia, Morocco and North Yemen each sent 10 youth to participate.

Namshan said that the camp has been designed as a meeting place for Arab youth to promote their acquaintance and exchange expertise in organizing camps. During the camp cultural and social programs will take place in the fields of public service, planting trees and the improvement of public facilities and squares in Taif.

Wednesday Night is Mermaid Night.



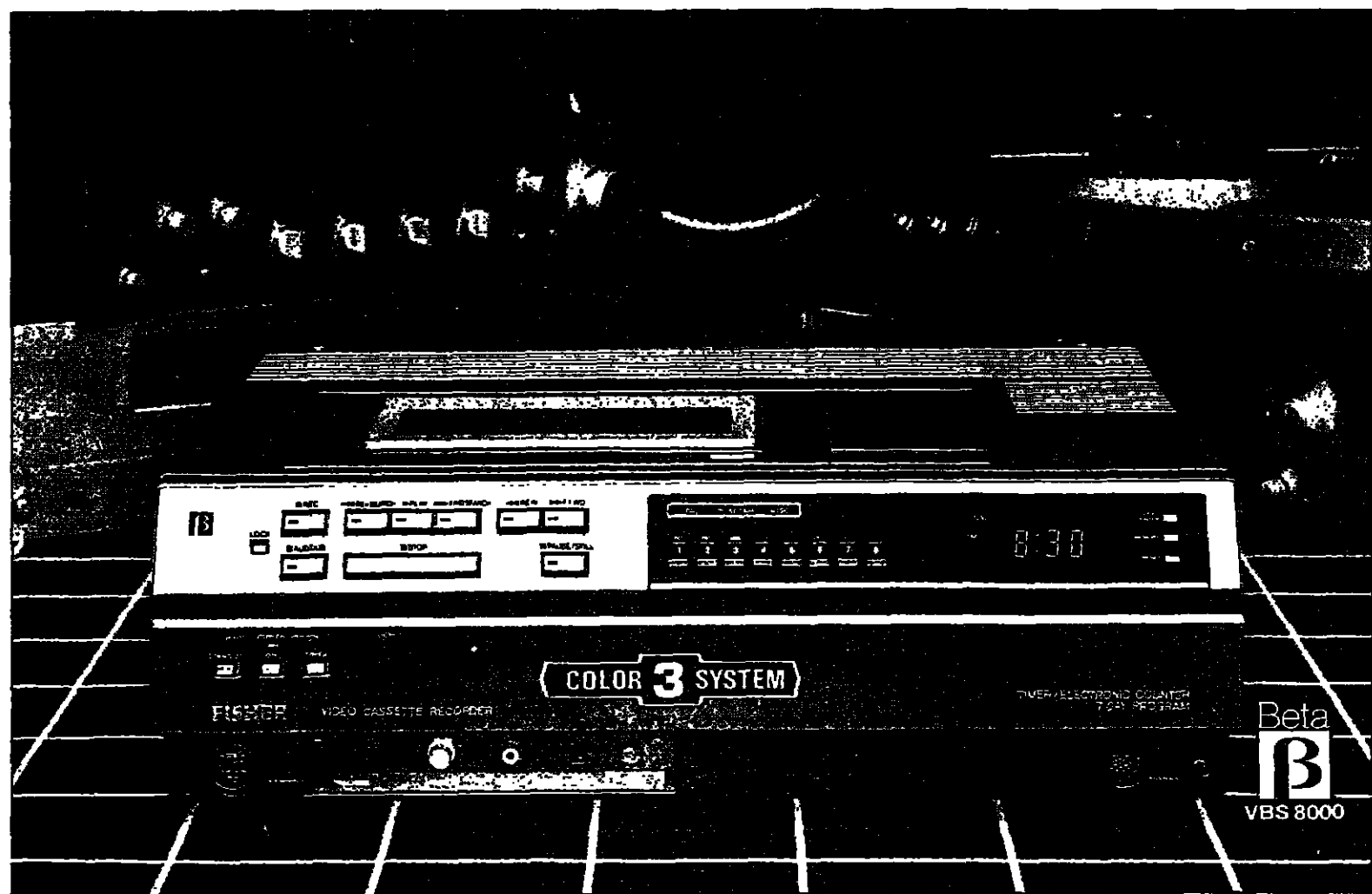
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On statement of position

Pro-Saharan states trying to narrow gap

TRIPOLI, Aug. 2 (Agencies) — The "group of 26" African states that support the Saharan Arab Democratic Republic (SADR) were Monday still trying to iron out differences on a statement of position following the past week's failure to find a quorum for the annual Organization of African Unity.

Israel using 'Nazi methods'

TUNIS, Aug. 2 (R) — Arab League Secretary General Chadli Klibi has accused Israel of "crimes scarcely different from Nazi methods".

"By violating the ceasefire, launching an assault on Beirut, using all methods of destruction and collective murder, attacking homes, schools and hospitals, Israel makes itself guilty of crimes scarcely different from Nazi methods," Klibi said in a statement here.

He said its behavior was "an indication that Israel is determined to forestall events by preventing any peaceful solution, especially after the Palestinian resistance's agreement to withdraw its fighters from Beirut."

(OAU) summit conference due to open here Thursday.

Delegations supporting the SADR's admission to the OAU as its 51st member, effective since a controversial decision at a ministerial meeting last February, were divided into a group that is reluctant to risk making the continental split permanent and the rest, which want to make a stand on a question of principle.

Heads of the pro-Saharan delegations were meeting Monday after the group's drafting committee failed to resolve differences during a working session Sunday.

Meanwhile, Mozambican President Samora Machel arrived here Sunday for an official visit to Libya, host of the summit which is still scheduled officially to go ahead despite the absence of more than one-quarter of the organization's members.

This is the 19th annual summit, and the first to be threatened by lack of a quorum of two-thirds, which is 34 states whether or not the SADR is included. There were reports that Malagasy President Didier Ratsiraka is due to arrive shortly.

Many other delegations were waiting for further developments before giving their heads of state or government the green light to leave for the Libyan capital.

Egypt urges U.S. support for rights of Palestinians

WASHINGTON, Aug. 2 (Agencies) — Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak's political adviser has urged the United States to help solve the Palestinian problem by backing the Palestinians' right to self-determination.

Osama El Baz, interviewed by CBS Television here, said he did not believe that the Palestinian fighters would leave West Beirut unless they knew what the future held in store for them. "The important thing is to give them hope," he said, and "the only way to give them hope is to get a commitment, at least from the U.S., that there is going to be a serious effort to solve the Palestinian problem in all its aspects on the basis of recognizing the Palestinian people's right to self-determination."

El Baz conceded that so far, Egypt had not succeeded in eliciting any such commitment from the U.S. government, adding that the Camp David framework was "not clear enough on this point." He added that in his view, if the Israeli forces took West Beirut, this would only lead to a radicalization of the Palestinians.

Meanwhile, in Cairo, Egyptian Defense Minister Abdul Halim Abu Ghazala was quoted Monday as saying it was "contradictory" for Arab countries to allow the United States any military facilities when it was backing the Israeli invasion of Lebanon.

Abu Ghazala was quoted by the weekly newspaper *Masry* as saying if the United States cut its aid to Israel, the Lebanese crisis could be solved. "Today, the United States is the friend and protector of Israel, it provides it with a lot of aid. This aid has enabled Israel to invade Lebanon," Abu Ghazala said.

"How can the United States ask the Arabs to give it any bases or facilities? It is contradictory... and the United States does not even have a definite position toward the Palestinian cause," he said.

Egypt, Sudan, Somalia and Oman have offered to give the United States temporary military facilities in their countries in the event of an emergency in the area that would require U.S. troops.

Abu Ghazala said Egyptian military factories are now manufacturing U.S. weapons in a joint-military production system. "Our plan is moving according to a set strategy which we do not want to announce yet," Abu Ghazala said.

According to *Masry*, Abu Ghazala said wars in the region like the Afghanistan war, the Iraq-Iran war, the Somali-Ethiopian war and the Lebanese crisis were a result of the struggle between the great powers, the United States and the Soviet Union.

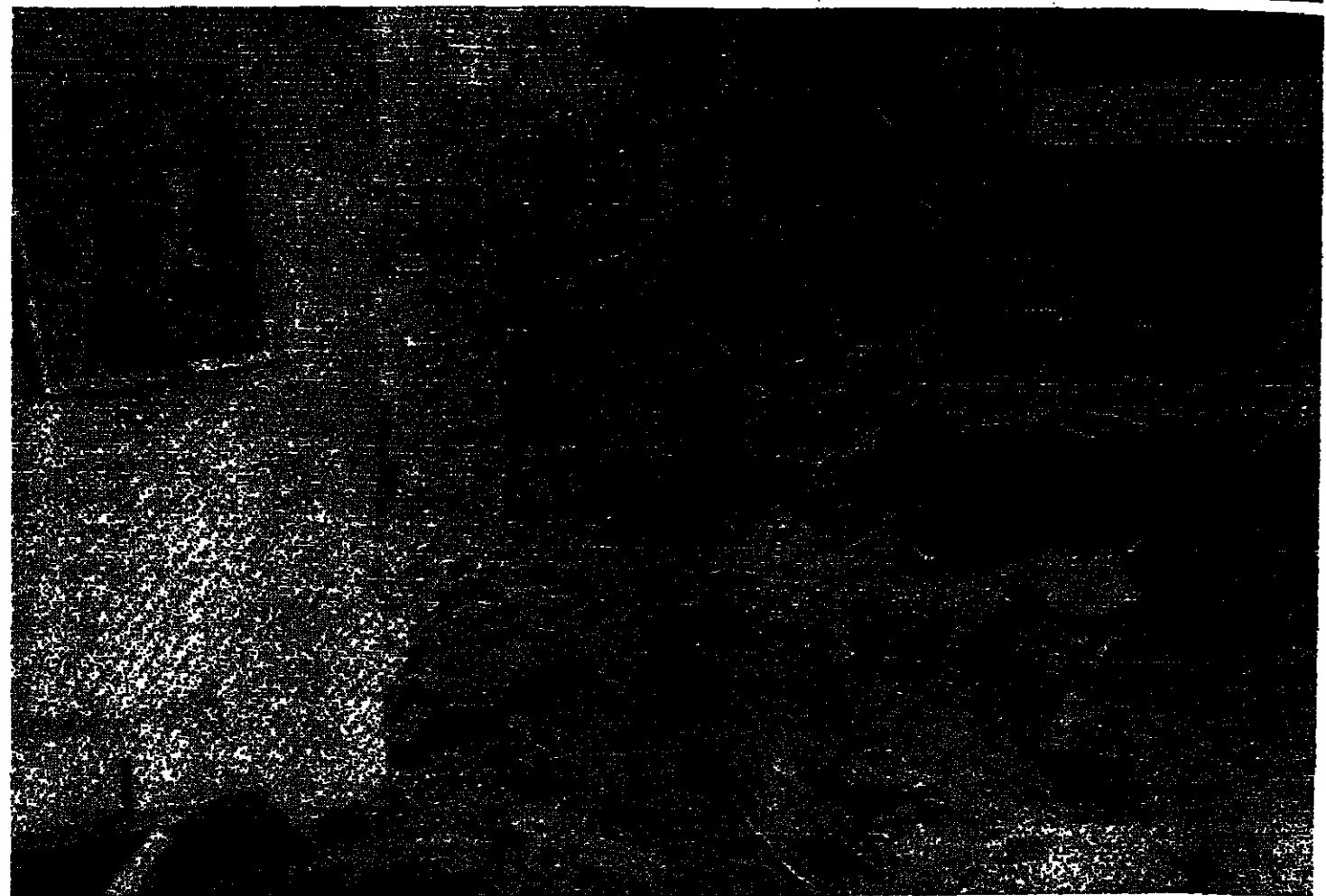
As an example, Abu Ghazala said the Soviet Union had encouraged countries like Syria, Libya and Israel to help Iran in its invasion of Iraq. "This leaves no doubt about the aims of the great powers toward this war," he said. He did not elaborate. He said the Arabs were victims of these great power games because of Arab disunity and the absence of a united Arab strategy.

PLO, Egypt agree on Beirut solution

CAIRO, Aug. 2 (AP) — An official of the Palestine Liberation Organization said Monday there was "full agreement" between Egypt and the PLO on the need to tie any PLO evacuation of Israeli-besieged Beirut with a comprehensive solution of the Arab-Israeli conflict.

Ahmed Sidky Dajani spoke to reporters at the foreign ministry here after meeting Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Butros Ghali for more than an hour. "We were in total agreement on the necessity of connecting the solution of Beirut's problem with the comprehensive one," he said. "The solution (of Beirut) requires setting a clear basis for the comprehensive solution."

He said Ghali has informed him of the results of Foreign Minister Kamal Hassan Ali's visit to Washington and Egypt's efforts to formulate a U.N. resolution to resolve the Israeli siege of Palestinian commandos in West Beirut.



DESTRUCTION: A poster of Yasser Arafat, the chairman of the Palestine Liberation Organization, hangs on a wall left standing amid destruction in the Arab University street Sunday. Israeli planes, gunboats, artillery and tanks pounded the area for 14 hours until another ceasefire came into effect.

Algeria opposes Palestinian pullout

ALGERIA, Aug. 2 (AP) — Moving the Palestinian commandos out of "Palestine's national territory" cannot lead to "a just and durable solution" of the Palestinian problem, Algeria said in its first, but indirect, comment on suggestions they could come to Algeria.

Such a move, the ruling Political Bureau said in a statement issued by the official news agency Sunday night, would in fact achieve "one of the basic objectives of the Israeli invasion of Lebanon," it said. The politburo said armed resistance was the surest way of achieving an independent Palestinian state.

Strongly implying that the Palestinians should continue to hold out against Israeli attacks in Beirut, the communiqué said the Palestinians "show by their heroic resistance and stubborn combat that the path of long

resistance will not be given up.

But the communiqué mentioned the possibility of Palestinian operations from other Arab countries. It made clear that the solution should be a Palestinian state "on its own territory" and should guarantee Lebanon its "unity, Arabness and sovereignty."

It implied the Palestinians should be able to launch attacks from states bordering Israel, saying: "Arab land must be the launching point of the Palestinian revolution." The suggestion that the Palestinians should rely principally on their own efforts is consistent with previous official statements, which have drawn their attention to Algeria's seven-year war of independence from France.

Fate of nonaligned summit uncertain

BELGRADE, Aug. 2 (AFP) — Uncertainty is mounting about the date and venue of the seventh nonaligned summit still officially scheduled for September in Baghdad, the Yugoslav daily paper *Politika* said here Monday.

The paper said it was not easy to picture a large number of heads of state meeting in the Iraqi capital "when at any moment combat

planes could fly over and the conference site itself be turned into part of the frontline" in Iraq's war with Iran.

Terming the war "senseless," *Politika* commented that it was "equally difficult to believe that this state of affairs could represent a start to fruitful talks" among the nonaligned nations.

BRIEFS

TEL AVIV, (AP) — Israeli military authorities are rejecting requests by Palestinians to visit relatives in Lebanon, the *Jerusalem Post* reported Monday. The daily said the ban was for "security reasons."

RAWALPINDI, (AFP) — An operation begins here this week to airlift 4,350 Afghan refugees to Turkey, where they will be resettled in mountain areas. The refugees — Kirghiz, Turkomans, Kazhaks, and Uzbeks — are mountain people and speak languages close to Turkish. The airlift begins on Tuesday.

DACCA, (AFP) — Iraqi State Minister for Foreign Affairs Hamid Alwan arrived here Sunday on an unannounced visit to deliver a message from Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to the Military ruler of Bangladesh, Lt. Gen. Hussain Muhammad Ershad, the official news agency reported.

CAIRO, (AFP) — Jihan Sadat, widow of President Anwar Sadat of Egypt, intends to resume teaching at Cairo University's Faculty of Arts, the weekly newspaper *Al-Ahram* said. Mrs. Sadat who interrupted her courses at the time of her husband's assassination last October, also plans to go back to work on her doctorate in literature, the paper said.

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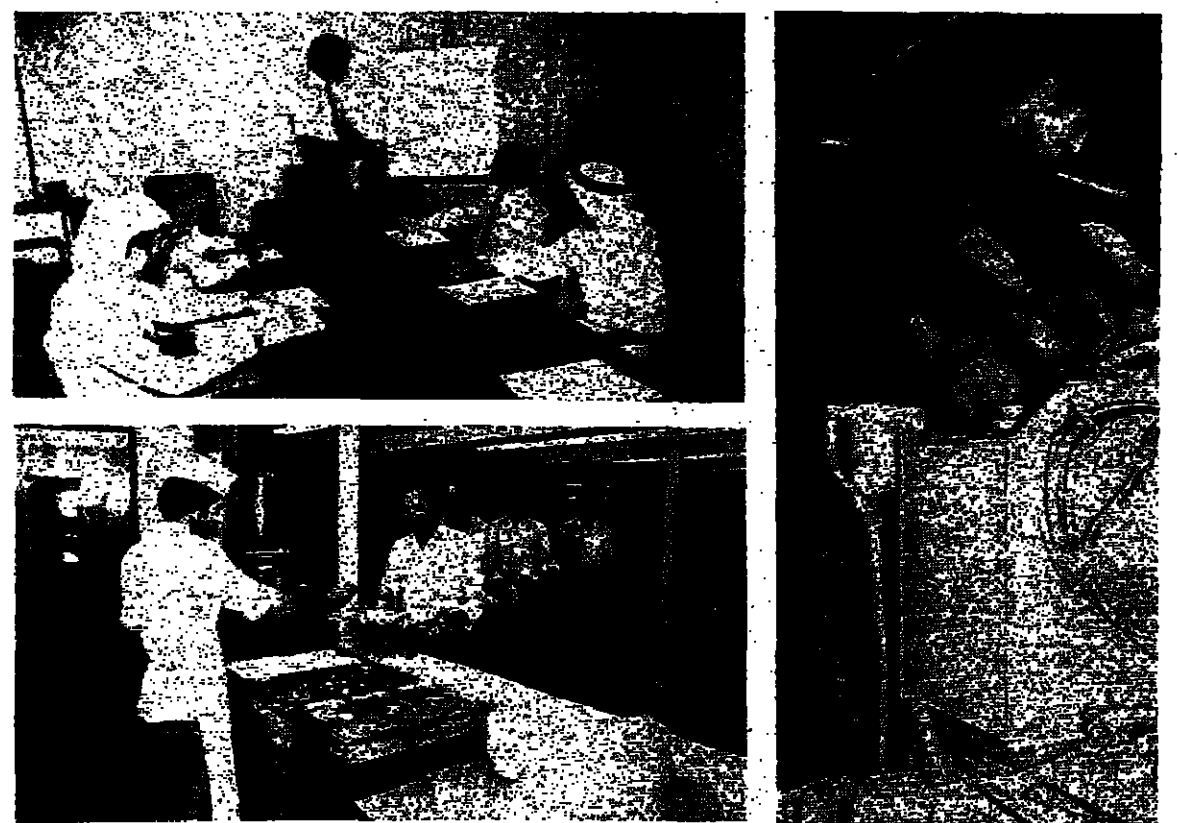
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China ire unabated at Japan textbooks

PEKING, Aug. 2 (R) — Peking Monday published the grisliest photographs so far of atrocities committed during the Japanese occupation of China in a further show of anger over the rewriting of Japanese history textbooks covering that period.

The photographs in the Communist Party newspaper *People's Daily* showed Chinese being buried alive and piles of corpses heaped in ditches during the massacre of up to 340,000 persons in Nanking in 1937. The newspaper quoted the revised textbooks as blaming the Chinese for the massacre.

Peking has reacted furiously to the revisions which now refer to the invasion of China simply as an "advance" instead of "aggression" and which gloss over atrocities committed during the occupation from 1937 to 1945.

It expressed its anger Sunday by withdrawing an invitation to Education Minister Heiji Ogawa to visit Peking next month. The revisions also have upset both Koreans who were ruled by Japan from 1910 to 1945 for describing members of the peninsula's independence movement as "rioters" rather than a resistance group.

China holds the Japanese Education Ministry responsible for the revisions, although a senior ministry official has said the books are the responsibility of the publishers.

China had earlier published a series of photographs taken during the Nanking killings and the *People's Daily* said in a report accompanying the latest set that "the Japanese murderers slaughtered everybody in sight and burned every house within view, carrying out a bloody massacre for six weeks."

It quoted an international military tribunal as reporting that 190,000 persons had been shot or buried alive in mass killings and 150,000 others murdered individually. "When people see how the Japanese aggressors murdered our innocent compatriots 45 years ago, they are bound to realize what is the true aim of the Japanese Education Ministry in falsifying the history of the invasion of China," the newspaper added.

The report followed the screening on Chinese television Sunday night of a feature film about the occupation. Diplomats saw the showing, the first in many years as a clear attempt to win popular support for press attacks on Japan which is China's biggest trading partner with bilateral exchanges worth \$10.4 billion last year.

Japanese officials have said Prime Minister Zenko Suzuki is concerned that the friction over the textbooks could mar his visit to Peking next month to mark the 10th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations.

In Seoul, South Korean Education Minister Lee Kyu-Ho said Monday any country that tried to whitewash over past wrongs and beautify crimes that distressed its neighbors would have difficulty in securing their trust and cooperation.

Lee, who did not name Japan, was the first South Korean Minister to comment on an issue which has dominated his country's media and led to widespread anti-Japanese demonstrations as well as an anonymous death threat to Japanese Ambassador Toshikazu Matoguni.

The North Korean Central News Agency said meanwhile that the textbooks whitewashed "the vicious colonial ruling policy of the Japanese imperialists."

In Singapore, the Japanese revision of textbooks has produced mild protests. Compared to the severe denunciations from Peking, Seoul and Pyongyang, the criticism here has so far been muted and limited to editorials and letters to the editor in the Chinese language newspapers.

But this could well be the tip of the iceberg in this city which had the dubious distinction of having its name changed from Singapore to "Honsan" during the Japanese occupation, and whose population over the age of 40 may have forgiven but have not forgotten their experience under the Japanese yoke.



SECURITY CHECK: With London jittery after two IRA bombings, security checks are carried out at many functions. The normal security precautions at an exhibition, visited by the queen recently, were stepped up with several military police searching under visitors' cars, as civilian police checked out the interiors and luggage areas. In the background a rocket-tubed Lynx helicopter was mounted on a pedestal.

Power-sharing proposals

Botha faces problem to convince coloreds

BLOEMFONTEIN, South Africa, Aug. 2 (R) — Prime Minister P. W. Botha has won an overwhelming mandate from his ruling National Party to proceed with constitutional changes that mean an end to exclusive white rule in South Africa.

But now he is faced with the problem of selling his proposals to the colored and Indian communities, whose participation is vital to the success of his plans. In sharp contrast to the mood of his supporters, many colored and Indian spokesmen have voiced disappointment with the plans, which offer few radical departures from existing Nationalist policy.

The proposals, which exclude South Africa's black majority, were unanimously approved by more than 1,500 party delegates

Greeks control woodland fires

ATHENS, Aug. 2 (R) — Fire brigade planes have put out most of the forest fires, thought to be the work of politically motivated terrorists, in which two persons died and dozens of homes were destroyed during the night.

Official statements said a small part of the pine forest on Mount Pendeli north of Athens was still on fire as was another area near Corinth, 80 kilometers to the west, but these fires were expected to be under control within a few hours.

The government has offered a reward of \$140,000 for information leading to the arrest of those responsible for the fires which began simultaneously in a number of areas early Sunday afternoon.

A police spokesman said that thousands of acres of woodlands and many villages were destroyed by the fires. Residents were forced to flee their homes and hundreds of children evacuated campsites.

Strong winds fanned the fires and hundreds of troops and firemen, helped by planes, battled to bring the flames under control.

at a rarely held federal congress in Bloemfontein.

They mean an end to South Africa's present constitution under which only whites are represented in parliament. Instead, whites, coloreds and Asians will each have an ethnic chamber in a new parliament and representation in a multiracial cabinet under an executive president.

The president's council, a multiracial advisory body appointed two years ago to draw up a new constitution, will act as mediator in the new system when there are differences of opinion between the three chambers.

Its decision will be final and the president, who under the new proposals will, in the words of one newspaper, wield "enormous and decisive powers." Botha has not yet set a date for the implementation of what he has called healthy power sharing with the republic's 2.5 million coloreds and 800,000 Asians.

Political sources say the proposals, unveiled before the federal congress last Friday, are the most Botha can hope to offer without risking further defections from his hasty, which has ruled South Africa since 1948. The National Party's platform then was one of white supremacy.

For two decades, party policy was to restrict power in the Cape Town parliament to whites only. Under the Nationalists' policy of separate development for South Africa's racial groups, each race was to exercise the maximum degree of control over its own affairs.

Chris Heunis, who this week takes over the newly created portfolio of constitutional affairs, told the congress that the option of "one man, one vote" was an impossibility for South Africa.

South Africa under the Nationalists has set up tribal homelands where it says the country's black majority can exercise their political rights. Coloreds and Indians do not possess any distinct territorial areas and attempts

to create homelands for them have been dismissed by the government as impracticable.

The fear of power sharing with coloreds and Indians was too much for some verkramppte (hard-line) nationalists, led by former cabinet minister Andries Treurnicht, who defected from the party earlier this year. Opinion polls show that support for Treurnicht's recently established Conservative Party could be as high as 40 percent among Afrikaners, the backbone of Nationalist support.

Political observers say this prevented Botha from breaking decisively from traditional party policies but Botha clearly hopes that he will still be able to sell his plans for power sharing to the colored and the Indian communities.

He urged delegates to support his proposals at the congress saying: "S.P. Petersen (a colored leader) is nearer to me than Van Zyl Slabbert."

Frederik Van Zyl Slabbert is the leader of the largest white opposition party, the Progressive Federal Party, who attacked Botha's speech for excluding blacks from his plans. But if the proposals are as far as Botha can go without risking further Nationalist defections, they are not enough for many leaders of the colored and Indian communities.

"I certainly think the prime minister missed the opportunity to move toward a common parliament instead of a three-chamber arrangement," Allan Hepdricke, leader of the (colored) Labor Party, said. "I am not encouraged, but more inclined to be disappointed."

The colored people, most of whom live in the Cape Town region, have lacked a political forum since 1980, when the government dissolved the colored persons' representative council, which the Labor Party dominated.

Indian opposition to government-created bodies to represent them has also been high with nearly 90 percent of Indians boycotting an election for the South African Indian Council last November.

The constitutional reforms have to go to parliament for ratification, probably at its next session, but that procedure should be no more than a formality, given the National Party's crushing majority of 125 parliament's 177 seats.

Belgian killed in El Salvador

SAN SALVADOR, Aug. 2 (R) — A Belgian architect building a maternity hospital has been shot and killed by unidentified gunmen in a Salvadoran village. El Salvador's church leader has said.

Acting Archbishop Arturo Rivera Damas said Sunday the architect, identified as Bernard Debershen, was killed Friday while supervising building of a Belgian government-funded hospital.

Rivera y Damas urged the government to investigate the killing in Santiago Texacuangos, 14 kilometers south of the capital.

The Belgian was one of 81 persons killed this week in the latest round of political violence sweeping El Salvador. Rivera y Damas said.

The Defense ministry said that leftist guerrillas dynamited railroad tracks in eastern El Salvador and derailed a three-car freight train Sunday. An insurgent force peppered the train with gunfire about 70 kilometers east of here, but there were no casualties, a defense Ministry spokesman said.

Other guerrillas, using firebombs, set ablaze a petrol truck and two vehicles belonging to the Salvadoran Institute of Agrarian Transformation (ISTA) 120 kilometers east of the capital on the coastal highway.

The attacks were the latest guerrilla effort to cripple El Salvador's transportation system in a campaign destroying more than 100 vehicles since June.

U.S. allies not informed of neutron shell--NATO

BRUSSELS, Aug. 2 (R) — The United States has not consulted its North Atlantic allies about a secret military project that could double the number of controversial neutron weapons in its arsenal, a NATO spokesman said.

But there would have to be consultations with European governments before any possible decision was taken to deploy the weapons in Europe, he said.

Congressional sources in Washington said U.S. government scientists were developing a small nuclear artillery shell that could let off up to six times as much lethal radiation as standard nuclear weapons.

The sources said the weapon, called the W82, was intended chiefly for use against Soviet tanks invading Western Europe. If approved by the U.S. administration, the new shells could double or even triple the number of planned neutron weapons. The NATO spokesman, contacted by Reuters, said the North Atlantic allies had taken no policy decision on the development of neutron weapons.

In the absence of such a policy the United States was free to develop the weapons without consulting its allies, he said. "Any possible plans to develop new shells would be a unilateral action on the part of the United States. The allies would be concerned only in the case of deployment in Europe," he said.

President Reagan's neutron weapon program has provoked strong opposition in Western Europe where critics say it would make an all-out nuclear war more likely.

Meanwhile, the commander of U.S. troops in Europe said in Washington, the West had few if any qualitative advantages left as a result of Warsaw Pact force improvements in recent years.

But Gen. Frederick Kroesen said American troops in Europe were combat ready and quite capable of defending West Germany against an attack by Soviet bloc forces. "We're good now, and we're going to get better because we're going to be re-equipped, modernized in the next years," he told the magazine *U.S. News and World Report*.

In addition to U.S. conventional strength, he said, there were "nuclear-response plans that should give an enemy great pause if he ever contemplates an attack."

Gen. Kroesen said: "For sure, we depend on reinforcements from the United States, but I don't think that the enemy can be on the banks of the Rhine River in three days or

seven days or any of those magic numbers that some people throw around." He said Soviet weapons modernization in the past 20 years had allowed the Warsaw Pact to catch up with the West.

"We have little if any qualitative advantages left," the general said in the interview. Gen. Kroesen said the Soviet T-64 tank was very formidable and in some ways more sophisticated than the U.S. M-60 tank.

"Soviet artillery now outranges all of our gun of comparable caliber," he said. "Their armored personnel carriers and fighting vehicles are superior to ours."

Soviets expel U.S. reporter

MOSCOW, Aug. 2 (AP) — The Soviet Foreign Ministry Monday withdrew the accreditation of Andrew Nagorski, the Moscow correspondent for the American magazine *Newsweek*, he said.

Nagorski, who has been assigned to the Soviet capital since May 27, 1981, said he was summoned to the office of Yuri Viktorov, deputy director of the Foreign Ministry press department, and told that "as of now, I am no longer accredited here as the *Newsweek* correspondent."

"They told me I had a 'reasonable time to leave,' but gave no specific date," said the 35-year-old Nagorski, who has a Polish-born wife and three children.

The official Soviet news agency Tass also reported the ordered expulsion, in nearly identical language to the statement read to Nagorski at the Foreign Ministry. It cited "repeated use by him of impermissible methods of journalistic activities in the territory of the U.S.S.R."

Nagorski called the reasons cited by the Foreign Ministry "clearly bogus," and said he "was sorry to be leaving the Soviet Union."

The last Moscow-based U.S. correspondent to have her accreditation lifted was Anne Garrels of the American television company ABC, who left in June after she accidentally killed a Soviet pedestrian in an automobile accident. She also had been warned about her reporting by the Foreign Ministry.

The Tass report of the latest ordered expulsion said that "in October 1981, when visiting the city of Volgograd, Nagorski tried to pose as a deputy editor in chief of the regional newspaper *Krasny Sever* (red north)."

"He used for the deception the visiting card he once received from A.N. Shorin, the real deputy editor in chief of this newspaper," Tass said.

Nagorski denied the charge, and said that a policeman stopped him while taking pictures in Volgograd, 400 kilometers north of Moscow. "I told him that I was an American correspondent, and suggested that if he had any doubts he could check two places, with the mayor, with whom I had an interview, and with the deputy mayor, with whom I met."

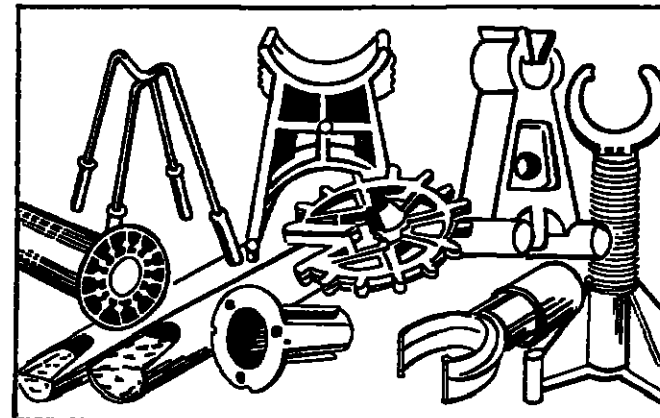
"It is preposterous to think I would try to pass myself off as deputy editor in chief of a local newspaper," said Nagorski. "In June this year," Tass said, "when staying in Rovno (a town near the Polish border) Nagorski tried to collect information of interest to him as a 'tourist from the Polish Peoples' Republic."

Nagorski also denied this charge, saying that while in Rovno, which has a large Polish-speaking population, he was asked if he was from Poland. Both of his parents were born in Poland, and he gained fluency in that language during a semester spent there as an exchange student.

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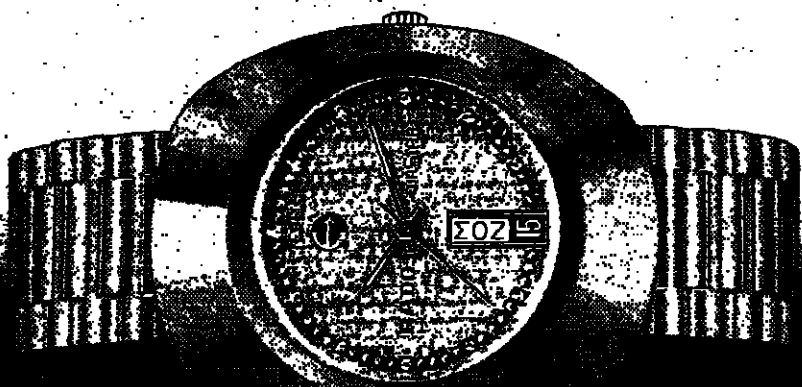
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Asia looks for new strategies to eradicate growing illiteracy

By Manuel Cordovez

HONG KONG (Depthnews) — An international news magazine reported a few years ago the growing concern in the United States over the apparent failure of many American schools to make young people literate.

It was both heartening and disturbing news for Third World countries, many of which have never been without the problem of illiteracy among their population.

Thus, developing nations must have drawn comfort from the fact that illiteracy was not unique to them. They were also struck once again by the seriousness of the problem.

Those who might have entertained the thought that development will solve the problem had to think again. Illiteracy is obviously no respecter of a country's state of development if it can hit a nation like the United States with its modern educational tools, including computers and satellites.

There is also the question of the size of the problem. The task before the Third World, particularly Asia, is enormous compared with that of the rest of the world.

The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) in its "Estimates and Projection of Illiteracy" in 1978 indicated that the illiterate population in Asia and the Pacific will rise from 346

million in 1970 and 387 million in 1980 to 435 million in 1990 as a result of the population increase.

Between 1970 and 1990 more than 60 per cent of the world's illiterate population are in the 16 developing countries of the region. These countries, on the other hand, will constitute only some 30 per cent of the world's literate population in 1990.

And illiteracy is expected to remain a serious problem in the region during the next 10 years.

A progress report issued by UNESCO's regional office for education in Asia and the Pacific (ROEAP) for the period 1977-81 identified the major reasons for this "population growth and failure of the formal school system to attract and retain more rural and disadvantaged children in the schools."

Countries in the region have already shown increasing concern for the growing problem of illiteracy in their area and its effects on their socio-economic development efforts.

Several meetings on the subject have resulted in resolutions and recommendations on how the problem is to be tackled by the region. It is in line with these efforts that the ROEAP has undertaken a number of activities in cooperation with governments of UNESCO member states for the eradication

of illiteracy in the region.

Through ROEAP's initiative, at least two regional consultation sessions among literacy experts in the region have been conducted.

Both the regional experts meeting on literacy in Asia held in Bangkok in 1977 and the meeting of regional panel of experts in literacy held in New Delhi in 1977 brought together literacy leaders and experts of Asia and the Pacific to search for new strategies and methods for the eradication of illiteracy in their region.

The Bangkok experts meeting surveyed the literacy situation in Asia and the Pacific and identified the main issues and problems. Among its recommendations was the organization of a regional panel of experts in literacy to review the program in literacy and adult education on a continuing basis.

The panel is also to suggest measures to combat illiteracy. In its first meeting in New Delhi, the constituted regional panel of experts identified training and research as priority areas for the development of literacy and adult education in the region.

Among the problems and issues which both meetings identified were:

Education goals and policies of member states have not taken sufficiently into consideration the need for developing human resources at broader perspective. They have focused mainly on formal schooling and have not given enough attention to non-formal education.

Education policies and plans have not made clear how the education sector should cooperate and coordinate with other nation building departments for training youths and adults for the promotion of better production and employment.

Policy and planning in literacy and adult education have not been very clear and well thought out.

Literacy and adult education could be very effective means for integrated rural development, for solving the unemployment problem and for helping the industrialization process.

Comprehensive literacy and adult education programs need the involvement of all voluntary and community organizations and the participation and mobilization of all community resources.

In the light of these issues and problems, the meetings listed as priority areas for the development of literacy programs in the region the following:

Development of the planning and administration system with emphasis on national resolve, coordination, participation and mobilization at all levels.

Development of the curricula and materials for the literacy program with emphasis on literacy skills, vocational and quality of life related skills. Development of the in-built and continuous system of monitoring and evaluation of the program and research components for finding solution to the actual problems of illiteracy and for improving the program's quality.

The meetings stressed that "literacy programs basically involve national effort. The guiding principle is therefore indigenous development based on utilization of the internal resources for each country..."

Training program have also been among ROEAP's major interests following the identification of the lack of trained personnel in various literacy and adult education fields as a recurring obstacle to the campaign against illiteracy.

The office has initiated or cooperated in regional and national training programs for literacy people in member states. Also being undertaken by ROEAP for member states is the documentation and publication of literacy and related documents.

The regional office has extended both technical and financial assistance to member states in the current drive against illiteracy. It provides advisers, experts and consultants' services; documents, publishes and disseminates information; and assists technically or financially or both literacy meetings, study visits, workshops, training sources, researches as well as the purchase of some equipment and supplies needed for literacy campaigns.

It has cooperated with member states in various national activities. The countries include Nepal, Bangladesh, India, Afghanistan, Thailand, Philippines, Indonesia, Vietnam, Laos and South Korea.

The ROEAP also coordinates with international organizations like the Asian-Pacific Bureau of Adult Education, Asian Cultural Center for UNESCO, Asia-Pacific Institute for Broadcasting Development and Southeast Asian Ministers of Education Organization.



A CLASS IN SINGAPORE: Illiteracy is obviously no respecter of a country's state of development. But Asia's problem is enormous compared with the rest of the world.

New handbook on etiquette

Preparing Koreans for culture shock

SEOUL (R) — Don't ask a foreign woman how old she is — and certainly don't turn up five minutes late at a Western home is socially acceptable.

These are some of the do's and don'ts contained in a handbook produced by South Korea's Ministry of Education to guide citizens on what is officially considered good behavior when dealing with foreigners.

The 178-page book is the brainchild of Education Minister Lee Kuy-Ho and its publication is also intended to prepare Koreans for the vast influx of visitors expected during the 1986 Asian Games and the 1988 Olympic Games here.

The *Guide to Basic Behavior* asks a foreign lady her weight or ask about the state of her digestion and bowel functions.

It says it is rude to stare at foreigners just because they are a different color or shape. But when meeting a foreigner Koreans should not avert their eyes while shaking hands as this will be considered rude.

It also deals with certain Western taboos, warning Koreans not to have 13 guests at dinner, not to open umbrellas indoors and try to avoid arranging social gatherings on

Friday.

The book warns of pitfalls when Koreans are invited into Western homes. Try to be punctual, it advises, although being five minutes late is acceptable.

Women may wear their hats inside Western houses but men must take them off. And Koreans should try to avoid going to the toilet too often during a visit to the home of a Westerner, the *Guide* says.

When Koreans sit down to eat in a Western house they are warned to avoid picking up the crockery and cutlery to see where it was made. They are also told not to start eating immediately food is placed before them as foreigners tend to pray before eating.

The book urges Koreans to eschew any feeling of inferiority in their dealings with foreigners. "Tell your foreign friends that our spiritual civilization is a step ahead of theirs," it exhorts.

Koreans should try to learn a few foreign phrases such as "How do you do?" and "I am very happy to meet you" but the *Guide* stresses that there is no shame in being unable to speak a foreign language.

For those Koreans with fluency in foreign languages, the *Guide* advises against pep-

pering speech with foreign words when talking to fellow countrymen.

Suitable subjects for after-dinner conversations with foreigners are the structure of the local language, pottery, Korean respect for elders and ancestors, architecture and the bravery of the South Korean armed forces, the *Guide* counsels.

It also deals with the question of gifts. If Koreans wish to give presents to their foreign friends they must explain exactly what the gift is for before handing it over.

In the general context of context of behavior, the book warns that it is rude to say "you are wrong" and suggests "I beg to differ" as a suitable alternative. And on the question of personal cleanliness Koreans are advised to take a bath at least once a week.

It advises Koreans to avoid wearing clothes which expose their bodies too much and suggests the *hanbok*, the all-enveloping national dress, as suitable for most social occasions.

With about 50,000 foreign visitors expected to be accommodated in private homes during the Olympic Games because of the pressure on hotel space, the etiquette guide may help to lessen some of the anticipated culture shock.

Pacific coast route a road to notoriety

By Richard Boudreaux

ALONG HIGHWAY 15, Mexico (AP) — This Pacific coastal route is rich in the lore of drug smugglers and highway bandits. It has become Mexico's road to notoriety.

Murder has been part of the legend of Highway 15 since 16th century Spanish conquistador Nino de Guzman plundered the Patzcuaro region, where the road now passes, and burned alive the Tarascan chief who refused to tell where his tribe's gold was buried.

But today the lives of three American travelers — two who died violently, one who vanished — are causing anguish for Mexicans who want to pave over the highway's seamy side and keep the tourist dollars rolling in.

The U.S. Embassy is considering asking the State Department to renew its advisory warning against travel on Highway 15. It was issued in 1976, when at least 13 luckless foreigners were slain along its 2,290-km stretch from Nogales to Mexico City.

Tourism is the second largest exchange earner for Mexico, behind oil. Tourism boosters insist the latest incidents are isolated and that armed assaults on travelers are far less frequent now.

"A tourist boycott was justified in '76 but not now," said Jose H. Rico, the mayor of Mazatlan, a Pacific resort on the highway that drew 1.4 million visitors last year, more than a third of them from the United States.

Although federal highway police insist their patrols are adequate, Mazatlan's hotel owners, mindful that 1976 and 1977 were their worst seasons of the decade, have started a letter-writing campaign to get the patrols increased.

From the naked desert hills around Hermosillo, Ciudad Obregon and Culiacan, the road winds across the Tropic of Cancer just north of Mazatlan and Tepic. From there it turns east to Guadalajara and across the Sierra Madre to Morelia, Toluca and Mexico City.

For all but about 160 kms. it is a two-lane blacktop — undivided, unlighted, full of potholes, crammed with trucks, often lacking shoulders or a center line and occasionally blocked by cattle. A hard day's drive may take you 650 kms. Night driving is not advised.

"Fayuca" — consumer goods smuggled through customs — moves mostly southward. The "alambristas," or fence cutters, who slip through the chain link barrier at Nogales to work illegally in the United States, go the other way.

Notable highway points such as Guayamas, a seaport seized by both U.S. and French invaders in the 19th century, have long been publicized in tour books. More obscure places are gaining infamy as scenes of recent crime and coverup.

Las Bateas is a curve in the highway where Nicholas Schrock's van was forced off and plundered June 2.

Schrock, a University of Colorado professor bound for summer teaching in Guadalajara, has not been seen since. The police chief from nearby San Ignacio and six deputies are in jail, suspected of killing him and hiding his body, which investigators are still looking for in the roadside tangle of mesquite and cactus. They say the suspects may be reluctant to point out the burial site because it could contain other bodies.

San Blas, just off the highway, is a little

known tropical seaside village where Longfellow wrote his last poem, "The Bells of San Blas," in 1882.

It is also where Randall Scott Ebert, 30, of Santa Monica, California, was shot to death June 10 and John Mills, 34, of Phoenix, Arizona, drowned June 11. Local police ordered them buried without informing U.S. officials. After their deaths came to light recently, state police opened an investigation, saying both may have been murdered in a single drug case.

Drug-related violence flourished along Highway 15 in the early 1970s after Turkey restricted opium poppy cultivation and the valleys around Culiacan filled the gap in production for the U.S. heroin market. After heroin traffic up the highway was curtailed by aerial herbicide spraying in 1976, some smugglers deprived of their livelihood turned to armed robbery.

Hector Arguelles, commander of the federal highway police detachment in Mazatlan, said robberies on his 250-km stretch of highway rose to a peak average of six per week in 1980 before a doubling of patrols on the entire road.

Four patrol cars now cruise the stretch at all hours and robberies are down to an average of one a month, he said, most against "drivers who make the mistake of sleeping on the roadside."

However, three tourists who drove separately to Mazatlan from the U.S. border recently said they saw no uniformed policemen on the 1,189-km route and only an occasional "Green Angel" service patrol of the federal tourism secretariat.

Celebrated novelist

Christina Stead at 80-- still determined to work

By Anne Chisholm

CANBERRA (LOS) — Christina Stead, the Australian-born novelist, celebrated her 80th birthday on July 17. A writer of astonishing talent, original, truthful and passionate, one of the great novelists of this century and one of the handful of world-class writers Australia has produced, she nevertheless lives in semi-obscurity.

When last heard from she was staying quietly on the south coast of New South Wales, recovering from a period of ill health, determined soon to be well enough to continue to write.

Ever since her bleak masterpiece, *The Man Who Loved Children*, was republished in 1965 her critical reputation has grown. She always had her admirers, since her first stories appeared in the early 1930s; but even with a stream of republications by Virago, who now have seven of her 11 novels in print, and marked her birthday by reissuing her second, *The Beauties and Furies*, she is still relatively unknown.

Her obscurity is partly her own choice. Since she returned to live in Australia 12 years ago she has resisted all attempts to turn her into a cultural monument. She despises nationalism and claims America and England as much her countries as Australia.

She has a reputation, largely justified, for savaging interviewers, especially any who press her to discuss the limitations of Australian culture (still an obsession there), analyze her books or assume her allegiance to feminism.

When she was writer in residence at Melbourne University she avoided discussing her writing; at a gathering of writers at the Adelaide Festival she declined to speak in public and left early; when she accepted a residential fellowship at the Australian National University it was on condition that she should have no official contacts with students or faculty. And yet in private she is a delight, open and affectionate to new friends as well as old.

She is both striking and unnerving to meet. Of medium height and build, she has a fine, imperious head, a high color, thick grey curls, a small curved nose and a hawklike eye. She has a low, husky voice so that it is often hard to catch what she says.

She much enjoys the company of men, and makes a point of saying so—perhaps as a tribute to her long and happy marriage to the American writer and business man Bill Blake, whose death she still mourns. "I love men! They are wonderful!" she will say, almost as a challenge.

Although private by temperament she can be suddenly very open about her life. She was the daughter of a dingy old Australian ichthyologist, and was brought up near Sydney's radiant harbor. Her father, she says, taught her to revere Buffon and Linnaeus before she could read, and let her loose on a largely scientific library.

She grew up steeped in Australia's natural history. But when she was very small her mother died; her father remarried and had several more children. Although she loathes being questioned about it, she has never disguised the fact that Louie, the desperate stepdaughter in *The Man Who Loved Children*, is based on herself, nor that the tribal establishment with its own lore and language on the shores of Chesapeake Bay, revolving around the monstrous father, Sam, was drawn from her own family life.

"After all, it was my life," she said to me matter of factly, when talking of her close attention to the film script of the book.

In fact, most of her books relate closely to her life, which may explain why she finds it hard to discuss them. The heroine of *For Love*

Alone, a novel about a young Sydney woman's obsession with love and escape, starves herself in order to save her father from London; Stead, after some years as a teacher in Sydney, did the same. That novel, which is largely about the desire to leave Australia, nevertheless opens with a prologue of praise for the country of unparalleled love and beauty.

She put the Paris she went to after London into *The Beauties and Furies* (1936) and the world of the international bank in which she worked there into *House of All Nations* (1938). After the war, she lived in New York and wrote *Letty Fox: Her Luck*. The connections and parallels are endless, which is why her biography will one day be essential; so far however she has shied away from allowing one.

With her husband she lived and worked in Europe and America for 40 years, both of them caught up in politics and linked with the Old Left in America. She had a job for a while in the 1940s as a script editor in Hollywood; she will never give any details about that time.

She learnt to type when young and has always written her books on the typewriter. She told me last year that if she does not type each day her hands get restless. I interviewed her once for a series about writers' working habits.

She hated the questions, but she did her best. Did she ever make a rough draft before she began writing? "Never." Did she revise and correct her work? She looked furious. "I never revise. Never correct. Never. Done. Bore me stiff."

Did she write fast? The answer amazed me. "In the old days I could do up to 20,000 words a day," she said. "I wouldn't start writing unless it was ready to go." She never showed her writing to anyone or discussed it, not even with her husband. She never accepted editorial cuts, changes or suggestions from her publishers.

When I enquired whether she had been influenced, as a child or later, by any teacher or writers, she didn't care much for that line of questioning either. "No. The writers I loved were Shelley and Shakespeare. The person who is genuinely original, and I am, in the sense that I was cut off from literature and even from family life, in that I was an orphan from my first family, is not looking for patterns."

What about rules of language, grammar and punctuation? "I thought they were ridiculous. I was, and am, completely independent."

This attitude perhaps explains why her writing, like her nature, is not altogether easy. The prose is often dense, eccentric, almost wild; her plots are mishappen, her characters swell out of all proportion, her books break all conventions of structure and style.

Her life, in the last year or two, has not been easy either. Until her recent illness she lived alone in a small brown room on the campus of the university in Canberra, with barely room for a small bed, a few books, a table and a huge electric typewriter.

She would tell her guests of the red and blue rosellas she loved to feed from her window with sunflower seeds. She admitted to working on the often-postponed film script of *The Man Who Loved Children*, but preferred not to discuss the newer film project, *For Love Alone*.

I asked whether she had ever found anything other writers had said about their craft at all useful. "No. Personal talk between friends, yes. Talking about writing has nothing to do with writing. Just nothing. It's boring to a writer."

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Schools looted, teachers insulted

Juvenile crime wave worries Peking

By Tony Walker

PEKING (Dophtnews) — Communist China appears to be suffering from a wave of juvenile crime as jobless youngsters and unruly schoolchildren take out their frustrations on those in authority.

Chinese newspapers and radio broadcasts have listed a series of examples of mindless hooliganism by teenagers and young adults in recent weeks.

"Since July 1981, some middle and primary schools in Xintian county, Hunan province, have begun to suffer serious wrecking, with school properties looted, and many teachers insulted, cursed and beaten, making it hard to maintain normal campus order," Peking radio reported recently.

The Peking Daily also reported that three teachers at a school on the outskirts of the city had been taken to hospital because of the mental torment they had suffered at the hands of their students who had harassed them at a film show and then rained stones and bricks on their living quarters. The school was closed for 40 days after this incident.

Xinhua, the New China News Agency, likewise published a railway circular complaining about frequent acts of vandalism against trains. "Most of the incidents were caused by youngsters and middle and primary

school children in various communes and brigades in cities and towns along the railways who played pranks, or tried to attack the trains for fun."

In the latest edition of a social sciences magazine published in the heavily industrialized northeast province of Liaoning, sociologist Liu Liexing complained about the "continuously rising" incidence of juvenile delinquency.

"Of the criminals in Shenyang (capital of Liaoning and center for much of China's heavy industry), 75.9 percent were juvenile delinquents," Liu wrote. "In 1981, juvenile criminals accounted for 77.7 percent of those convicted of crimes." He revealed that perpetrators of juvenile crime were doing it at a "younger and younger age."

"According to the crime statistics of the Huanggu district in Shenyang, of the 64 juvenile delinquents, 16 were between the ages of 8 and 10, 16 were between the ages of 11 and 12, and 32 were under the age of 14. They had engaged in robbery, and stealing, and assault on women," Liu wrote.

He reported that in a large provincial reformatory near Shenyang, twice as many delinquents were now being held as in 1980, and many of those held were from middle class Chinese families.

"They commit crime just to show off to

their friends," he wrote. "Some of the delinquents wounded people with air guns just for fun. And in the same way they threw lime in people's faces or put a noose around someone's neck."

Liu described delinquents as being "spiritually void." According to the social sciences survey, the biggest percentage of juvenile criminals were young workers, followed by students and jobless youths.

In its report on vandalism against schools in Hunan province, Southeast China, Peking Radio gave the example of a commune school where, during the winter holidays, "... all desks and benches for more than 200 students in five classrooms were looted and taken away. Doors and windows were smashed and blackboards destroyed."

Of 25 middle schools in Xintian county, several hundred kilometers southwest of Changsha, the provincial capital, 10 have been wrecked and nearly 200 of the 481 primary schools have been damaged to some extent, Peking Radio reported.

It went on: "Teachers are constantly insulted and beaten in Xintian county. In 1981, six cases concerning beating of teachers happened in Xintian county. People destroyed all the 3,500 trees planted by teachers and students of a middle school on its campus as a landscaping project. The lead-

ing cadres and teachers of the school were insulted and beaten when they tried to stop the sabotage."

"On the afternoon of April 6, some 20 youths from a nearby production brigade chased and beat the students. They beat and severely injured Xiao Changfa, a teacher, when he stepped forward to stop them from chasing the students. Xiao needed hospital treatment."

China's problems with dissatisfied youths are not new, but the spate of incidents suggest that a campaign over the past several years to bring the problem under control has not been particularly successful. Crime busting squads aimed at combatting juvenile delinquency have been established in several of China's larger cities, notably Peking and Tianjin.

A worrying development for the authorities is that a number of the young people involved in acts of lawlessness are the sons and daughters of senior officials. *People's Daily*, the Communist Party newspaper, reported in April that the lawless activities of the children of a few high Chinese officials had reached an intolerable stage.

The paper quoted a statement by the Communist Party's discipline inspection commission which said that while the number involved was small, the effect was great. The commission's circular particularly warned party officials against seeking special treatment for their children if they were arrested.

Cut in sickness benefits

Holland bans 300 drugs

By Walter Ellis

AMSTERDAM (LOS) — The Dutch health system, one of the most generous and comprehensive in the world, is now facing the same kind of severe financial strain that has beset Britain's National Health Service for years.

Thirty hospitals are threatened with closure, and several of the main political parties are campaigning for the general election due on Sept. 8 on a platform which includes plans to cut sickness benefits.

The latest in a series of complaints about health service cuts comes from the Dutch Pharmaceutical Industry Association, which has protested about a black list of drugs that, from Sept. 1, cannot be prescribed to patients whose medicines are paid for by the state.

More than 300 items have been listed in the official government gazette as not available to social welfare patients, and the industry has struck back by suggesting that such a ban may contravene the EEC's free trade rules.

In the Netherlands, those living on or below the agreed national minimum wage — currently \$594 a month for a married man after tax — receive their health prescriptions almost free.

Higher income earners pay a proportion of the total, and those with salaries above a

fixed point pay for their prescriptions themselves out of compulsory health insurance. The fear is that the poorest patients will have to accept cheap drugs which are not those considered best for them by their doctors.

A spokesman for the Association of Dutch Sickness Funds (the state-run insurance scheme for low income groups) has said the proposals could be defeated if doctors refuse to operate the new rules.

The Dutch health minister, Mrs. Til Gardener, who issued the black list, ran into similar objections earlier this month when she announced her intention to close 30 hospitals between now and 1990.

She also wants the number of wards in the remaining hospitals to be cut, reducing the total number of available beds by 8,000. She argues that many Dutch hospitals were built in the 1950s and 1960s to cope with a rising population and that the population trend today is sharply down.

Last year the cost of running the Dutch health system was put at almost \$11 billion. The present interim cabinet, made up mostly of Christian Democrats with minority participation by the center-left Democrats 66, is determined to reduce government spending by \$6 billion between this year and the end of 1983, and sees the social welfare system as an important target for cuts.

Large collection offered

Smithsonian to house Oriental art

By Benjamin Forgey

WASHINGTON (WP) — The Smithsonian Institution is reported in line to receive what is considered one of the largest private collections of Far Eastern art in existence for its proposed new Oriental art museum near the Mall.

Smithsonian assistant secretary Charles Blitzer said he could not "confirm or deny anything" concerning the acquisition. However, sources confirmed that the collection belongs to Arthur M. Sackler, a wealthy New York psychiatrist and medical publisher.

A catalogue of the entire Sackler collection of Oriental art has not been published, but it is known to include more than 5,000 ancient objects.

The collection would be housed in the new center for Oriental art, one of two museums proposed to be built, mainly underground, in the open space between the Smithsonian Castle and Independence Avenue. (The other museum would house the National Museum of African Art.)

Sources say that one of the delicate points of discussion between the institution and the

collector is his desire to give the center his own name. Another question is whether Congress will appropriate \$36.5 million for the two museums, which are to be funded jointly by the federal government and private donations at an estimated cost of \$75 million.

In June Congress authorized the \$36.5 million for the project. Actual appropriations will be considered by both houses in August or early September. Sackler reportedly also has offered a substantial donation to support construction of the Oriental art museum.

Many of the objects in Sackler's vast collection have been stored for years in the so-called "Sackler enclave" at the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York. The collector and his two brothers donated funds for that museum's Arthur Sackler wing, which houses the Egyptian temple of Dendur and temporary exhibition galleries.

The Sackler collection is known to be especially strong in early Chinese bronzes dating back some 3,000 years, and in jade objects of later periods.

Acquiring these works would provide the new Smithsonian museum with an immediate

and sizeable permanent collection complementing the distinguished Oriental holdings of the Freer Museum, which opened in 1922 with objects donated by Charles Lang Freer, a Detroit industrialist and this country's first serious collector of Far Eastern art on a large scale.

Certain idiosyncrasies of Freer's bequest — his stipulation that no objects in the museum's collection be exhibited elsewhere, for instance, or his insistence that no art works be accepted for temporary display in the Freer — have been used by Ripley and others to explain the need for the new museum. The two new buildings, joined underground, would share research and office space. According to an informal arrangement, Dr. Thomas Lawton, director of the Freer, would also become director of the new Oriental art museum.

Sackler, 68, is publisher of the International Medical Tribune newspaper. His arrangements to store parts of his collections in museums have caused controversy over the proper relationship between private collectors and public museums.

CORONARY BYPASS SURGERY



STOP KILLING YOURSELF

By Peter J.

Steincrohn

M.D., F.A.C.P.

Dear Dr. Steincrohn: I'm 48. After special tests, I know that two of my coronary arteries are blocked. This is the reason I suffer from angina. Although I've been taking medicine prescribed by my heart specialist, my chest pains have lately been interfering on two fronts: in my business and in being able to enjoy golf — a game that I have loved to play since I became a teenager.

Now comes the big question my doctors and I need to answer. Shall I go on with medical treatment or have open heart surgery? Is bypass the only answer? In the end, will medical treatment be just as effective?

Believe it or not, I'm not so interested in living into the 70s as enjoying my present way of life. It's the quality of life that counts, too. Perhaps you can help me make up my mind, Dr. Steincrohn. I expect nothing more than an educated guess about what's best for me to do. I'll appreciate it. Thanks. — Mr. R.

Dear Mr. R.: I'll try. But it requires more than an educated guess to add weight to what your own doctors have advised after complete study of your problem.

At a recent "consensus conference" on coronary bypass surgery by the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute, doctors concluded that the operation does improve the quality of life. After 110,000 operations last year (average cost: \$15,000 per patient) the current view is that bypass coronary surgery is a major advance which can improve the quality of life and in some instances prolong life. But, only two-thirds of both those treated medically and those treated surgically return to work. Surgery has not improved those statistics.

What should you do, Mr. R.? If your chest pains have not been relieved by the latest advances in medical treatment, if the quality of

your life has been steadily deteriorating: inability to work or play golf — then surgery seems to be the answer. But, only you and your own doctors can make the hopefully correct decision.

Dear Dr. Steincrohn: Is cutting down on salt and taking antihypertensive medicines the only way to lower one's blood pressure? How about biofeedback? — Mrs. H.

Dear Mrs. H.: Practicing biofeedback techniques has helped some hypertensive patients. But, I've been reading of a simpler way to lower pressure. It has been suggested by a group working out of the University of Pennsylvania.

They have found that your blood pressure will drop if you sit quietly in front of a fish tank and watch goldfish or guppies glide by effortlessly. Much simpler than learning biofeedback.

I'm not even suggesting that you go out and buy some goldfish, Mrs. H. But if you dislike dieting and taking medication, you might try it as an experiment. After all, what it does is induce a state of relaxation, which is one antidote for high blood pressure. But don't expect too much.

Dear Dr. Steincrohn: I'm not imagining it — I believe I get less personal attention from my physician since I've become an official older at the age of 70. I have friends who likewise complain. Is there a remedy for this? — Mrs. K.

Dear Mrs. K.: Doctors had better find one relatively soon. Between 1977 and 2035, the over-65 population is expected to double in size. It will account for at least 20 percent of the population. Out of necessity, doctors will learn to "care" for their aging patients.

(Tomorrow: More about agoraphobia)

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The Saudi-Swiss Joint Commission on Economic Cooperation's recent meeting in Bern highlighted the two countries' efforts to achieve a balanced trade relation. Sales of Saudi petrochemicals were at the top of the agenda. Page 9

The Grain Silos and Flour Mills Organization is fast expanding mill and silo capacity in the Kingdom to keep up with burgeoning wheat production. Wheat output is expected to more than double this year over last thanks to generous state support. Page 13

Natural gas liquid flowed into the heart of Aramco's Yanbu fractionation plant for the first time last week. Ships will begin loading at the beginning of October, marking the completion of the last major unfinished component of the Kingdom's master gas system. Page 18

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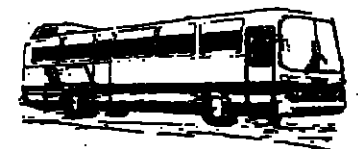
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To stop smoking, headaches, backaches

Acupuncture becoming popular in West

By Cynthia Stanley
Houston Bureau

HOUSTON — Do you have a bad habit you'd like to get rid of, like cigarette smoking or overeating, for instance? Have you been seeing your doctor about those migraine headaches and backaches only to find there is no relief? Maybe you should consider sticking a needle in whatever ails you!

Don't scoff at the suggestion, for the ancient Chinese practice of acupuncture is based on that very idea. Acupuncture is the Chinese system of medicine in which a fine needle pierces the skin to a depth of a few millimeters and is then withdrawn.

Dr. Tieng H. Ling, a certified acupuncturist in Houston, Texas, said acupuncture originated in China over 5,000 years ago. In fact, the oldest records of acupuncture are found on etchings dating back to 1600 B.C. The first book of acupuncture, which contains a wealth of detail, is the *Huangdi Neijing Singsen* written about 200 B.C. It is one of the earliest accounts in Chinese on any subject.

Ninety-five percent of all acupuncture information is in Chinese, with the rest in Japanese and French, said Dr. Ling, who came to the U.S. from mainland China. Therefore, to study acupuncture it is almost essential to know Chinese. And unlike Western medicine, he added, it is very unstandardized. Only lately have many of the treatments been recorded and publicized.

Acupuncture is based on the fact that stimulating the skin has an effect on the internal organs and on other parts of the body. The important thing in the art of acupuncture is to know at what point to pierce the skin in relation to which disease.

In Chinese literature there are descriptions of about a thousand acupuncture points, though there may be even more than this. Books on the subject are full of accounts of illnesses which can be cured or alleviated by stimulating with a needle one or another of these points.

Just what can be treated with acupuncture? It is possible to help or cure by acupuncture any disease that can be affected by a physiological process.

Dr. Ling's business card advertises treatment for the following: stop smoking, lose weight, arthritis, headache, backache, indigestion, pain problems, feminine problems, impotence, water retention, sinus and many others.



(Photograph by Cynthia Stanley)
CURE FOR HEADACHE: Dr. Tieng H. Ling attaches a unit that sends electrical impulses through the needles he has strategically placed in this migraine headache patient. Below: Electrical equipment is attached to the acupuncture needles.



Although acupuncture has been around for quite some time, skepticism abounds, particularly in the West where it is unfortunately the case that many doctors, even when faced with one or several patients who have been cured by acupuncture where their own efforts have been fruitless, refuse to believe the evidence.

A recent visit to Dr. Ling's office showed the effectiveness of acupuncture among patients interviewed undergoing treatment for weight reduction, stop smoking, arthritis and migraine headaches. Dr. Ling opened his own office in Houston five years ago.

The first patient interviewed was a woman who had been smoking for almost 20 years. She had tried to quit on her own once or twice, but was never able to go beyond one week before picking up the old habit of three packs a day again.

Dr. Ling strategically inserted four thin needles into the patient, two in the nose and one in each ear. Within 15 minutes the urge to smoke had gone. Two weeks have passed and the woman has not resumed her old habit. She not only says she feels better, but she admits to being able to do more physical things, such as jogging, that her lungs would not permit her to do before.

The second patient, a man undergoing treatment for migraine headaches, said he is so impressed with the results that he has referred several friends to Dr. Ling for treatment. The man said he suffered from severe migraines headaches for over 12 years. He saw 12 different doctors and underwent hospital testing. All of them said the same — they didn't know what caused the headaches and they didn't know how to cure them. Meanwhile, the headaches were occurring more and more frequently and with more and more intensity. Finally, after spending more than \$1,000 on different treatments and pain medication — none of which helped him — the man read a book about acupuncture and decided to go to Dr. Ling for treatment. After just six treatments, he said, the pain he suffered went from a level ten to a level two. The headaches also are occurring less frequently, he added.

Patient number three was in Dr. Ling's office for treatment of arthritis. The arthritis was in the heels of his feet and was so severe he had to walk on his toes. As the captain of a tugboat, the pain in his heels soon made it impossible for him to work. After his second acupuncture treatment by Dr. Ling, he said, he was able to stand with all his weight on his heels for the first time in seven months. Yes, he was skeptical at first, he admitted, but he felt "just fantastic" after only one session.

The other two patients, both women, were receiving treatment from Dr. Ling for weight loss. Small needles were placed in both ladies' ears. One woman, whose husband had just left for Saudi Arabia for a job with Saudia, said she had lost 12 pounds since first beginning the treatments. She talked of joining her husband in the Kingdom soon and no doubt has plans to surprise him with her slimmer physique. Both women described how they have less of a desire for sweets and desserts than they previously had.

The number of treatments required to effect a cure varies considerably. In the case of the smoker, only one treatment was needed. The migraine headache patient, however, needed several treatments. As a rule, the degree of improvement and its duration increases with each treatment until the stage is reached where the improvement persists and becomes a cure that lasts.

Despite all the skepticism in the West acupuncture is gradually becoming a popular form of treatment. It's a system of medicine that continually is making new discoveries. Dr. Ling says he subscribes to several Chinese magazines to keep up with all the new discoveries. Just last week, he said, he read about a new acupuncture treatment for backache.

Contemporary Soviet art focused on misery of life

By Paul Taylor

COLOGNE, West Germany (R) — An exhibition of modern Soviet art, said by its organizers to be the biggest ever staged in the West, has sparked controversy among critics. The "aspects of contemporary Soviet art" show in Cologne and Aachen features some 100 paintings, 10 sculptures and 300 graphics collected by West German millionaire philanthropist Peter Ludwig during three years of travel in the Soviet Union.

Professor Ludwig, 57, who made his fortune in chocolate, acknowledged that the works are all more or less "official" art, selected and purchased in cooperation with the state-approved Soviet Artists' Association.

Some critics have charged that the exhibition is a Soviet propaganda show that neglects both avant-garde tendencies in modern Soviet art and the many dissident artists barred from the official association. Yet even this limited selection gives a picture of modern Soviet art that may surprise many in the West. For there is little sign of the "Socialist realism" which for decades was the official dogma of Communist art.

The generation of artists born after the 1917 revolution, it seems, is no longer expected to devote its talents to the class struggle and has turned inward for inspiration. Aside from the inevitable portraits of Lenin and works glorifying Soviet costumes much of the exhibition focuses on the loneliness, emptiness and misery of daily life — hardly a Socialist message.

Jan Krushevsky's "Harbor Pier in Winter," a lone man seated on a rusty barrel staring into an empty grey-blue sea, is typical of this theme. So too is Alexander Petrov's "House by the Railway" — an elderly woman gazes forlornly from a window in which the ghostly reflection of high-tension cables and a shiny modern train can be seen.

Andrei Volkov's paintings also speak of emptiness. Religious motifs and references to the Ikon tradition in Russian art are surprisingly frequent.

Work and the workers — traditional themes of Socialist art — are almost totally

missing from the selection of paintings, and featured in few of the lithographs. The vast majority of the works are apolitical.

"Official" Soviet art remains focused on reality and there is not one completely abstract work. But the image of reality in the Brezhnev era has aged and greyed and conveys none of the revolutionary idealism of earlier generations.

The only exception is the quasi-religious cult of the cosmonaut, reflected in Oleg Vukolov's Triptych on the first manned space mission of Yuri Gagarin and Alexander Sidnikov's "Shining Stars" (in memory of fallen cosmonauts).

Another vast canvas — Yuri Korolyov's group portrait of Soviet, Cuban, Vietnamese and East European cosmonauts — takes this hero-worship to its logical extreme.

Jovial spacemen stand stiffly in their white uniforms like tailor's dummies or one of the merchant corporations lined up for a 17th century Dutch painting.

Modern Soviet art, so three distinguished West German academics write in the catalogue, cannot be judged by the standards of contemporary Western art. Put plainly, it is not very modern. "These works nevertheless document a style of art in which humanity is not just a desirable goal but is elevated to the status of a manifesto," the academics write.

Certainly "official" Soviet artists are less adventurous, both in the choice of subjects and in the use of materials, than their Western counterparts. Only the colors are occasionally bold.

But they hardly merit the withering verdict of the liberal weekly *Die Zeit*'s art critic, who said the exhibition "conveys in content and in form a provincial, petit-bourgeois impression reminiscent of Theodor Adorno's term 'hotel art'."

The craftsmanship which the works display in a variety of styles stands comparison with any modern Western art. If less innovative, contemporary Soviet art also seems less pretentious than avant-garde Western art and therefore more accessible to a general public.

Even in the West, one suspects, many people would rather have this sort of art hanging in their homes and galleries.

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As P 2 links surface

Ambrosiano affair gets more complex

MILAN, Aug. 2 (AFP) — The scandal around Italy's Banco Ambrosiano broadened with reports from the prosecutor's office here of an attempted meeting between the head of the P-2 Masonic Lodge, whose discovery brought down the Italian government last year, and the right-hand man of hanged Ambrosiano President Roberto Calvi.

Licio Gelli, the missing grand master of the mysterious P-2 — or propaganda due — Lodge tried to arrange a meeting in Switzerland with Flavio Carboni, who was arrested Friday in Tessin, Switzerland, a source at the prosecutor's office said.

Carboni is a Sardinian industrialist and a close aide of Calvi. The Milan-based Banco Ambrosiano is Italy's largest private finance house.

The scandal surrounding its dealings broke out after Calvi was found hanging from a Thames River bridge in London on June 18. Since then, a complex network of dubious loans and intricate connections, including the so-called Vatican Bank, the Institute for Religious Works, has emerged.

The attempted meeting in Switzerland would tend to support one theory that Calvi, who died leaving the bank with a \$1.4 billion

hole in its accounts, did not act alone but was only an instrument in a large-scale scheme.

According to the source, Swiss police told the investigators handling the Calvi affair they had been alerted that Gelli and his right-hand man, an Uruguay-based banker named Umberto Ortolani, were to arrive in Switzerland. On hearing this, they followed Carboni for several days in the hope of catching all three men at once, before finally arrested him.

The meeting apparently never took place, possibly because Gelli was informed of police surveillance, the source said. Gelli fled Italy after the P-2 Masonic Lodge scandal. Reportedly under his tutelage, the group was said to have grown in less than seven years into a center to subversion and influence-peddling with right-wing ties, gathering some of the elite of Italy's administrative and financial world.

Nearly 1,000 establishment figures, including three ministers, were on P-2 lists whose disclosure forced the resignation of the Christian-Democrat government of Arnaldo Forlani in May last year.

FAO spells out priorities

BANGKOK, Aug. 2 (Depthnews) — Asian countries will have to recast their traditional concepts of national security if they are to cope, in the 1980s, with the hunger and poverty unleashed by unjust economic structures.

Dr. D. L. Umali, United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization regional representative, hammered on this theme in his pre-retirement statement to the 16th FAO regional conference.

Dr. Umali has served in Bangkok for 11 years as FAO representative for Asia and the Pacific. He returned June 30 to the University of the Philippines as professor emeritus.

U.S. rates seen to decline anew

NEW YORK, Aug. 2 (R) — U.S. interest rates will post further modest declines over the next two or three months and will begin moving higher after that, Alan Greenspan, president of Townesend Greenspan and Co. said.

He told a CBS news program that over the next few months he expects the prime rate to fall to around 14 percent from the current 15.5 percent and to stabilize at that level before beginning to rise by the end of the year.

Greenspan attributed the high level of long term U.S. interest rates to a belief in the financial community that the U.S. budget deficit is "hemorrhaging."

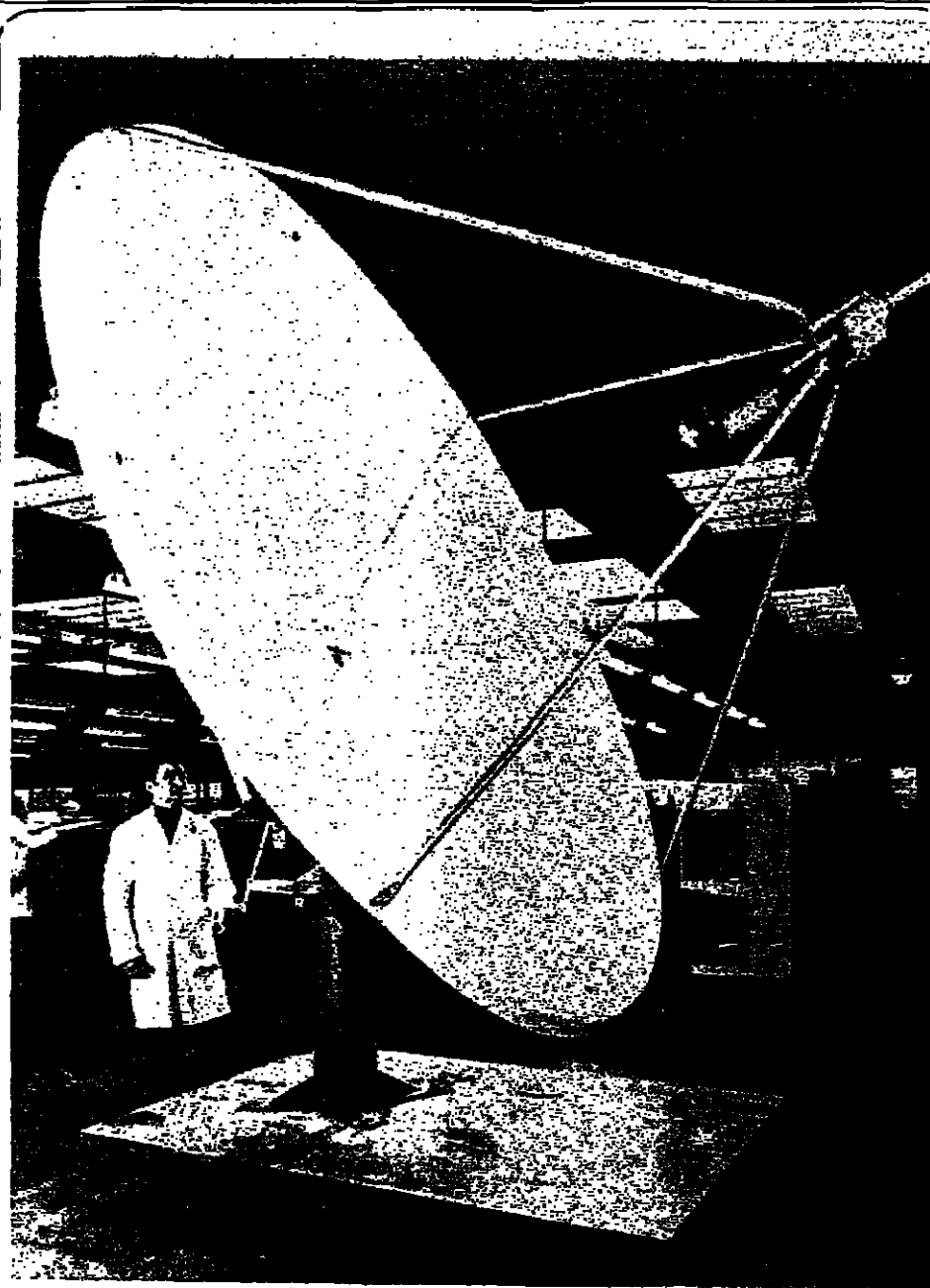
"Our world in the 21st century is likely to be short of fuel, water, land and other resources," Umali said. "It will be more crowded, more hungry, drenched in acid rain, ecologically brittle, short of jobs, armed to its nuclear teeth — and badly in need of understanding itself."

Gross disparities between villages and cities have set off the "greatest urban mass migration in human history." This is now resulting in mega-cities with mega slums. This urban sprawl will also bury, in concrete, farmlands that ring these cities, eroding environmental standards and capacity to produce food and fuelwood, he added.

Acute fuelwood shortages already affect 31 million people and threaten another 161 million. But only 10 percent of fuelwood needs are being planted. Fragmentation of arable land is continuing. Per capita availability could shrink from 0.23 hectares per head in 1975 to only 0.15 by the year 2000.

FAO's study *Agriculture Towards 2000* estimates food demand could triple by the time declines in human fertility will have braked population growth to stable levels. To meet food needs of growing populations, Asia needs to expand its cultivated land by 10 percent in the year 2000. It must also increase yields.

"We cannot continue clear-cutting our forests at the rate of 5,000 hectares daily without inflicting irreversible damage to our ecological life systems," Dr. Umali said. "Our God-given genetic stocks are irreplaceable. Yet, we are losing one species daily. This plunder must stop."



GETTING SET FOR TV SATELLITE: Plans are being made for Britain to expand its involvement in a massive satellite communications project that will give the country extensive TV transmissions via satellite. Part of this program involves development of effective receiving antennae and their controls. Seen here is an advanced receiving unit being tested at the Evershed Power-Optics plant in Chertsey, Surrey.

Burden of aiding farmers Japan faces subsidy dilemma

TOKYO, Aug. 2 (R) — The Japanese government, caught between political expediency and economic rationale, has made virtually no headway in ridding the nation of the huge financial burden of supporting too many rice farmers.

Rice is Japan's staple food as well as being its most heavily subsidized agricultural product, encouraging well over a million farming households to grow the grain for an annual income worth little more than the price of a second-hand car. Most of their income is derived from non-farm work.

A new rice policy of Japan has slowly started to emerge, aimed at pushing out these part-time rice growers, many of whom have less than one hectare (2.47 acres), and with them, the huge government deficits from paying subsidies to grow the rice.

However, part of that aim has already been given serious setback when earlier this month the government agreed to give rice farmers 1.1 percent more for this year's crop, more than double last year's increase. Almost all rice produced in Japan is sold to the government which then sells it on the retail market at lower prices.

Prime Minister Zenko Suzuki had earlier called for a price freeze, but at the last minute succumbed to pressure from the ruling Liberal Democratic Party (LDP) — to grant increase, prompting widespread indignation.

French make headway in cyclotron

STRASBOURG, France, Aug. 2 (AFP) — The nuclear research center here has achieved a world first in its successful application of 18 million volts to an electrostatic cyclotron.

The success was seen as an important step in experiments designed to build bigger and better particle accelerators.

Japan, Britain, Argentina and the United States have also been involved in experimenting on cyclotrons, but while their accelerators are designed to handle 20 to 30 million volts, none have so far achieved such results and the

in newspaper editorials.

The difference between the new producer price of 1,951 yen per 60 kg (132 lb), or about three times the international traded level and the retail price of 17,033 yen means the government will run up a deficit of 640 billion yen (\$2.48 billion) this year, the agriculture ministry said.

This is apart from 350 billion yen (\$1.35 billion) to be paid this year in various subsidies to farm families to switch to other crops to reduce a 4.4 million-ton surplus.

Even the powerful Japanese central Union of Agricultural cooperatives (Zenchu), admits that small farms must merge into larger units to achieve greater productivity.

At present, 78 percent of the 1.78 million households specializing in growing rice do so on less than one hectare each to produce over 80 percent of the country's total rice crop, expected to reach 10.80 million tons this year.

Although keeping to Japan's concept of self-sufficiency in food, rice demand in recent years declined as the Japanese diet has turned more to Western foods, leaving the country with the burden of maintaining mountains of unwanted rice.

Agriculture ministry officials said that as long as the government guarantees a regular price for their product, farmers will continue to grow rice.

Spanish imports of oil plummet

MADRID, Aug. 2 (AFP) — Spanish oil imports dropped a year-to-year 21.43 percent over the first six months of this year, the specialist magazine *Enerpress* reported here Monday.

It said Spain had imported only 20 million tons of crude from January to June, compared to 26 million tons over the same period last year. Spain's main oil suppliers are Saudi Arabia, Mexico, Iran, Dubai, Iraq, Libya and Venezuela.

Recently Spain struck an accord with Saudi Arabia to cut its imports of Saudi oil by 20 percent over the last quarter of 1982 from 150,000 to 120,000 barrels a day.

Nicaragua to get \$80m Cuban aid

MANAGUA, Aug. 2 (AFP) — The Cuban government is to give \$80 million in aid to Nicaragua, officials have said here.

The aid will go toward projects such as construction of bridges, schools and apartment buildings, as well as a study for a new rail network.

The Cuban government will also send cement, nails, tractors and other agricultural and industrial material to Nicaragua.

The agreement was signed by Hector Rodriguez, chairman of the Cuban economic collaboration committee, and Major Henry Ruiz, Nicaraguan planning minister.

Sequel to oil glut

Venezuela in throes of crisis

CARACAS, Aug. 2 (R) — The oil glut has landed Venezuela in its first major economic crisis since the early 1960s when it played a leading role creating OPEC (the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries) to protect oil's earning power.

Reduced Venezuelan sales in the current recession-hit world market and lower prices will result in a drop of 3 percent in oil export income this year, economists predict.

The country has already gone through three years of no economic growth and prospects for early recovery are bleak. The government projects 1982 fiscal income down 20 percent on last year's \$22 billion, due almost entirely to the expected decline to \$14 billion in oil earnings.

The authorities have so far rejected foreign borrowing to plug the deficit but now the state oil monopoly, Petroleos de Venezuela, may go to capital markets for the first time to finance future projects.

Central bank president Leopoldo Diaz Bruzual argued recently that, with government revenues declining, the oil industry should consider foreign capital to finance its expansion projects. This would be a major departure on previous policy, requiring a significant change in the law.

Venezuela rode out the glut last year reasonably well. As surpluses grew, oil buyers first deserted sellers like Libya that had hit hardest with price rises when supply was tight.

Freight rates fail to rally

LONDON, Aug. 2 (AFP) — Rates remained generally weak in the freight market last week, although they appeared to improve slightly on forward positions.

The fixing of North American grain voyages and various time-charter business — much of it on the South Korean account — highlighted an otherwise lethargic summer market.

The massive shipping capacity surplus remained a factor militating against any autumn rally, despite the long-term prospects of grain liftings by the Soviets and Chinese and the fact that more freighters were being laid up.

Operators noted that Chinese inquiry was circulating in the market, whereas no Soviet interest has yet been shown despite the probability that the United States-Soviet grain accord will be extended by another year.

No improvement was seen on the main grain route, U.S. Gulf-European continent. A vessel with 52,000-64,000 tons from the U.S. Gulf to Japan was taken at \$12 against \$12.20 a few days before.

Smaller bulkers also weakened when a 33,000-tonner on the same route was paid \$2.75 below the \$16.25 accepted early in July. The North Pacific-Japan grain trade attracted only small interest at lower rates.

Argentinian charters were active in mid-week. Between two and five fixtures were reported on the River Plate-Mexico route, when cover for 100,000 tons of grain was found. But exports from the Great-Lakes remained scarce.

Meanwhile, several bookings have been reported for Thai rice exports, most of them

on private terms. Tapioca business was also covered from Thailand to the continent, at \$9.50 for a 70,000-ton cargo for August.

A couple of fixtures were reported in the sugar trade, but rates were further depressed. Some inquiry was, however, met for various destinations, such as China, the U.S. Gulf, and Yugoslavia.

In the coal sector, rates followed the general downward trend. A 55,000-ton cargo was taken at \$10.80 on the Hampton Roads-Japan route, against \$11.50 two weeks earlier.

The OPEC output accord fell apart during July and he now says he is free to pump more. But a 1982 target for oil exports of 1.42 million barrels daily is the lowest for 30 years and average prices are seen down by \$3 a barrel on 1981. Rising home demand and increased production of lower-valued heavy oil are also eroding oil export earnings.

The decline is partly blamed for a slide of \$1.6 billion in foreign reserves during the first six months of the year, to \$7 billion, although Finance Minister Luis Ugueto said late in July they would suffice to cover a possible 1982 current account payments deficit of \$2 billion. The minister ruled out devaluing the bolivar which would raise the cost of imported goods and fuel inflation.

Dr. Calderon sees little prospect of appreciably higher oil earnings next year. Nevertheless, banking and financial sources say Venezuela's small population and conservative borrowing policy work in its favor and they do not expect drastic government measures.

Diaz Bruzual has said strict monetary policies will continue in order to curb inflation and any liquidity shortages will be offset by liberal credit mechanisms.

Peking exports microcomputers

PEKING, Aug. 2 (AP) — Communist China has made its first foreign sale of a locally developed computer, a microcomputer that costs three-fourths the price of similar foreign equipment, *The Peking Daily* said Monday.

The paper said the Peking Computing Technology Institute would export 1,000 BCM-11 microcomputers to West Germany, but it did not identify the customer. It said 10 sample computers already had been accepted.

The Peking Daily said several West German experts saw the computer at the institute last fall and suggested that it be displayed at the Munich international fair last November. It described the computer's performance as high in relation to its cost.

The computer was developed in 1980, it added.

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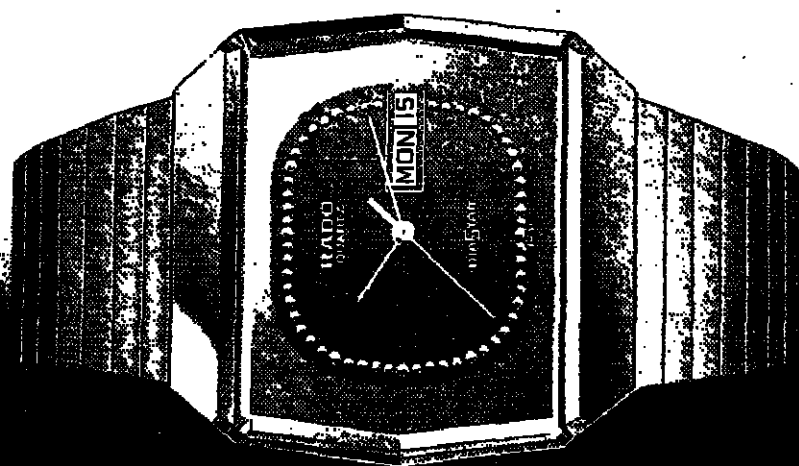
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Inflation slips in 6 West states

WASHINGTON, Aug. 2 (AP) — Price inflation continued its recent downward trend in six industrial nations in May, but rose in eight other countries, the International Monetary Fund (IMF) said Monday.

Inflation decreased in Japan, Italy, the Netherlands, Norway, Sweden and France, the fund said.

The May inflation rate rose slightly in the United States, Canada, Austria, Finland, West Germany, Switzerland and the United Kingdom, and Belgium, according to IMF. June figures — not available for all nations — showed prices rising further in Belgium and West Germany, declining in Finland and Norway, and remaining flat in Austria, Italy and Sweden.

In its monthly report, the fund said trade of the industrial countries remained nearly stable from April to May. And, it said world trade stagnated in 1981 after expanding

briefly in 1979 and 1980.

Japan's rate of inflation was 2.8 percent in April and 2.3 percent in May, the fund said. Italy showed a decrease from 15.8 percent in April to 15.2 percent in May and June. For Austria, the rate was 5.8 percent in April and 6.0 percent in May and June.

Belgium had an inflation rate of 5.8 percent in April and 6.0 percent in May and June. No figures for May and June for Denmark were available but the inflation rate was 10 percent in April. For Finland, the figure was 9.6 percent in April, and 9.8 percent in May.

For France, the April inflation rate figure was 14.0 percent and 13.8 percent in May. The West German rates were 5.0 percent in April, 5.2 percent in May and 5.8 percent in June.

The Netherlands had an inflation rate of 6.6 percent in April and 6.4 percent in May.

For Norway, the rates were 11.4 percent in April, 11.1 percent in May and 10.8 percent in June. Sweden had rates of 8.7 percent in April, 9.5 percent in May and 8.5 percent in June. For Switzerland, the rate was 3.5 percent in April and 3.9 percent in May. The United Kingdom's rate was 9.4 percent in April and 9.5 percent in May.

The United States had an inflation rate of 6.6 percent in April and 6.7 percent in May.

The fund said the trade deficit of the industrial countries for the first five months of 1982 was \$25.8 billion, compared with \$38.7 billion for the first five months of 1981. Exports in May, valued in U.S. dollars, declined by 1.2 percent while imports rose by 0.6 percent, yielding an aggregate trade deficit for the industrial countries of \$3.8 billion for the month. This compared with monthly deficits of \$2.1 billion in March and \$2.0 billion in April.

Turkey may ease brakes on state spending

ANKARA, Aug. 2 (R) — Financial circles here are watching closely for any change in the direction of Turkey's economic policy with the appointment of Adnan Baser Kafaoglu as finance minister. Diplomatic sources say government may ease curbs on spending.

Kafaoglu took over the helm of the economy following the resignations of Deputy Prime Minister Turgut Ozal and Finance Minister Kaya Erdem in the wake of the collapse of brokerage house banker Kastelli Inc.

At his first press conference as minister, Kafaoglu said he planned no fundamental changes to his predecessors' policies, other than adjustments to what were seen as errors of detail.

Ozal's unstinting determination not to let up on a sharp credit squeeze is widely regarded here as the reason behind growing anxiety among Turkish banks and, in turn, the collapse of Kastelli.

The central bank in June ordered banks to fulfill reserve requirements and the resulting liquidity shortage forced deposit rates up to as much as 50 percent from around 37.5 percent normally. Caught in the middle were Turkey's brokerage houses which, in the absence of an established money market, deal in bonds and bank certificates of deposit.

The biggest of these, Kastelli, could not survive the rush for cash and collapsed. It had sold an estimated 100 billion lire in bonds and certificates of deposit, and had some 220,000 small investors.

The government stepped in smartly, guaranteeing repayment of all principal amounts deposited and pumping at least 10 billion lire into the banking system to ease the liquidity shortage.

But the crisis came at a time of growing criticism of the harsh effects of government policy, such as low wages, high unemployment and the effect on business of borrowing costs which after a borrowing tax is imposed

can be as high as 80 percent.

But many readily acknowledge Ozal's achievements. His policies of restraint in credit, wages and prices, promoting export and cutting state subsidies were imposed in January 1980 and endorsed after the military takeover eight months later.

In that time, inflation has fallen to around 30 percent from 100 percent the \$15 billion foreign debt has been rescheduled and a successful export drive has narrowed the trade gap and brought a payments surplus in sight for the first time in years.

GNP growth is forecast at 4.4 percent this year for the second year running after a 1.1 percent drop in 1980, with a public sector borrowing target of \$1.3 billion after \$2 billion in 1980.

Kafaoglu, previously personal adviser to head of state Gen. Kenan Evren, told last week's press conference he would continue to fight inflation and cut state intervention, while seeking to encourage industrial development and output.

He said he was studying programs to help several sectors of industry, particularly new technology and agriculture, but wanted to avoid "harmful and unnecessary intervention."

EEC readies new steel offer

BRUSSELS, Aug. 2 (R) — The European Economic Community finalized a new offer to cut its steel sales on the U.S. market, amid some signs that its trade dispute with Washington may be close to settlement.

Diplomats said the 10 community states were ready to reduce their share of the U.S. steel market to 5.8 percent for the next three years, compared to a 6.4 percent share in 1981.

The offer, which Industry Commissioner Etienne Davignon plans to take to Washing-

Kafaoglu pledged to keep up the export drive, maintain the floating exchange rate and continue to encourage foreign investment, and said he aimed to bring down interest rates, without saying how, when or by how much.

Without referring directly to the Kastelli crisis, Kafaoglu said he would ensure a secure savings system, and raise tax revenue by overhauling tax administration to cut evasion.

Diplomatic sources said Kafaoglu had in the past been privately very critical of Ozal, and might ease the brake on state spending. But he will be constrained by problems such as resurgent inflation, a still shaky banking system and heavy demands from much of the massive state sector.

The sources also noted Kafaoglu did not have the extra authority of being deputy prime minister, a position which Ozal added weight with which to push through his measures.

Kafaoglu has enlisted Sermet Refik Pasin from the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade as minister of state for the economy to help promote Turkey abroad but he is little known and will carry less influence overseas than Ozal, diplomats say.

ton Tuesday, had met a reasonably encouraging response in preliminary talks with U.S. officials here over the weekend, the diplomats said.

The U.S. side had suggested a figure of 5.6 percent not the 11 major steel products to be covered by an agreement which would allow Washington to withdraw anti-subsidy duties imposed on European steel imports, they added.

But the diplomats cautioned against undue optimism, saying several previous negotiations had collapsed and a dispute between European steelmakers over how to share out the proposed cuts could still create severe problems. The Reagan administration is also under strong pressure from its own beleaguered, but still powerful, steel firms not to concede too much, the diplomats said.

The diplomats said Davignon's weekend talks here with U.S. Undersecretary for Commerce Lionel Olmer had indicated Washington was keen to get a settlement.

Davignon, who will be accompanied by External Relations Commissioner Wilhelm Haferkamp, would thus try to reach at least an outline accord in talks with U.S. Commerce Secretary Malcolm Baldrige.

There were indications that a compromise could be reached on the range of products to be included in any accord, a sticking point in past bargaining, they said.

Major U.S. banks trim prime again

NEW YORK, Aug. 2 (AFP) — Four major United States banks, Citibank, Chase Manhattan Bank, First City National Bank of Chicago and the Mellon Bank on Monday dropped their prime interest rates from 15.5 to 15 percent — the lowest rate since November 1980 and the third prime cut in two weeks.

Observers expected that their example in lowering the prime rate — the interest rate charged by banks to their best customers — would gradually be followed by the rest of the banking sector.

The move is being encouraged by the recent lowering of short-term interest rates on local financial markets.

On Friday the U.S. Federal Reserve dropped its discount rate from 11.5 to 11 percent. And last Monday the Manufacturers Hanover Bank led the field by cutting its prime from 16 to 15.5 percent, a move that was followed by the rest of the banking sector over the next five days.

The moves reflected sharp declines in the banks' costs of obtaining money for lending and investment. Norman Robertson, chief economist at Mellon, said the prime rate could dip another full point within the next few weeks.

"I think that it really reflects the fact that the economy is still just very weak at the moment," Robertson said Saturday.

Swissair spurns intermediate class

BERNE, Aug. 2 (Sp) — The global airlines, facing hard times with traffic falling and losses mounting, are trying new experiments to recover lost ground, a Swissair press release says.

In this endeavor many carriers have discovered a market potential which had always been there, but had been neglected, the business travellers. To win over these now very desirable customers, new intermediate classes were created, designed to be different from the established economy or tourist class.

However, the Swissair release says the new innovation has been spurned by the airline as its services have always been firmly oriented toward business traffic. It claims that its economy class provides the kind of services advertised by other carriers for their intermediate classes and more and, therefore, the question of introducing the intermediate class does not arise.

U.K. asks firms to defy U.S. ban

LONDON, Aug. 2 (R) — UK Trade Secretary Lord Cockfield said he has issued directions under the Protection of Trading Interests Act to four British companies forbidding them to comply with the U.S. embargo on contracts connected with the West Siberian gas pipeline project.

Cockfield told the House of Lords the companies concerned are John Brown Engineering Ltd, Smith International (North Sea) Ltd, Baker Oil Tools (UK) Ltd. and A.A.F. Ltd.

He said he had hoped, and still hopes, that it would have been possible for an acceptable solution to be found to this problem. But despite efforts made by the British government, the U.S. administration has not so far responded.

In these circumstances, he added, the U.K. government has decided that the trading interests of the U.K. required the issuing of directions to these companies forbidding them to comply with the U.S. embargo.

BRIEFS

SINGAPORE, (AFP) — Japanese special envoy Masumi Esaki had talks with several Singapore ministers here Monday on trade, investment, technological transfer and other forms of cooperation. Esaki, chairman of the special committee for international economic measures of the ruling Liberal Democratic Party, met deputy prime minister Goh Keng Swee, Trade and Industry Minister Tony Tan and Foreign Minister Suripah Dhanabalan.

BASLE, (AFP) — The Japanese group Sumitomo Metal Industries Osaka is to issue a 100 million Swiss franc (\$50 million) loan on the Swiss capital market, the Society of Swiss Banks announced here. The 10-year loan will be offered for public subscription until Aug. 10. Its issue and interest rates will be published on Aug. 6.

ISLAMABAD, (AFP) — Canada will extend an interest-free loan of Canadian dollars 20 million (\$16 million) to Pakistan.

under an agreement signed here by Pakistani Economic Secretary Ejaz Ahmad Naik and Canadian Ambassador W.T. Warden. The loan, to be used for the purchase of turbines for the additional two units of the Tarbela dam power project, is repayable over a period of 30 years, including a 10-year grace period, officials said.

CAIRO, (AFP) — The Soviet Union is to sell Egypt an electricity transformer to boost the power channelled here from the Aswan Dam in upper Egypt. Egyptian electricity Minister Maher Abaza announced here Monday. The 500,000 kilowatt transformer will cost 12 million Egyptian pounds (about \$12 million).

BASLE, (AFP) — The chemical firm Hoffman La Roche, based here, has struck a deal with Shell International Chemical to buy the British firm Colborn-Dawes. Hoffman announced has here. Colborn-Dawes, had a turnover last year of nearly 40 million pounds (\$70 million).

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Financial Roundup

Dollar rates take a tumble

By J.H. Hammond

JEDDAH, Aug. 2 — The European money markets opened on a nervous note and continued to trade erratically all day. European dealers were surprised at this volatility but given the weekend cuts in both U.S. discount and commercial bank's prime lending rates, the downward pressure building up on rates was to be expected. Unlike previous movements, Monday's activities saw a fall in both the short and long term U.S. dollar interest rates by between 1/4 to 1/2 percent in some instances. Dealers in Europe were of the opinion that further prime or even discount rate cuts were in the offing and tried to position themselves accordingly.

In the one-month period, quotes of 11 1/2-11 3/4 percent were seen but even these fell back to 11 1/2 percent by close of business. The key three-month medium term rate was quoted at 12 3/16-12 7/16 percent but that also fell back by 1/4 percent.

In the exchanges however, the American currency maintained some sort of stability despite large initial falls against some of the leading world currencies. The British pound in particular seemed undaunted by recent cuts in British commercial bank's base rates to 11 1/2 percent and sterling traded at 1.7520 levels Monday without Bank of England support. The Japanese yen on the other hand continued to trade weakly and was quoted at 255.20 and even 255.50, remaining very much unchanged over Friday weekend closing prices. The mark and the Swiss franc managed to capture some lost ground by trading at 2.4350 and 2.0710 respectively. This was certainly an

improvement over Friday closing levels of 2.4410 and 2.0910 respectively. The Swiss authorities have seen some demand build up for the Swiss currency during the past few days but this is to be expected, especially if the currency was felt to have been undervalued and coming during a period of world political tensions. The French currency was also firmer at 6.7630 levels compared with Friday's 6.7948.80 levels.

In the bullion markets gold and silver made a sharp comeback with gold prices putting on between \$8 to \$12 in some sharp trading. Gold prices traded at around \$353 compared with \$342.50 closing levels. Silver was just under the \$7.00 level at \$6.96 and was expected to break that barrier in New York on Monday night.

In the local markets, Monday saw rial deposit levels continue to tumble with short dated funds falling the fastest. The week-fixed rate is now quoted at around 6-7 percent which is a almost another 1 1/2 percent fall in the space of two days. The one-month JIBOR is quoted at 9 1/2-10 percent down by one percent over Thursday prices while the one-year tenor was quoted at 12 1/4-12 1/2 percent compared with last Wednesday's 12 1/4-13 1/4 percent levels. Dealers are expecting more falls if the dollar weakens. On the exchanges, spot rial/dollar rates traded thinly around 3.4390-00.

Closing gold prices (in U.S. dollars per troy ounce):

London	349.62
Paris	347.43
Frankfurt	352.98
Zurich	351.87
Hong Kong	closed

U.S. dispels farmers' fears

DES MOINES, Iowa, Aug. 2 (AP) — U.S. President Ronald Reagan, on a political fence-mending trip to the Midwest, said Monday that despite his opposition to a long-term grain-sale agreement with the Soviet Union, "the grain door is open and large quantities may be sold."

Defending last week's grain-trade decision before an audience of corn growers, a key republican constituency, the president promised to be alert for signs that "martial law may be relaxing" in Poland.

He said there are some indications that may be the case and told the farmers, "we will continue to watch developments there in the hope that life will improve from the Poles, and sanctions can be removed."

Reagan on Dec. 29 called for preparations for negotiations and a long-term grain-sale agreement with the Soviets in response to the Kremlin's role in the martial law crackdown in Poland.

He reaffirmed that decision Friday but said he would extend the current agreement, due to expire Sept. 30, for one year. "Indications are that we will sell a record volume of grain to the Soviet Union this year," the president said Monday. "With the extension that we

are now exploring, we will be able to sell large quantities during the next year.

"We have restored to the American farmer a fair opportunity to export grain to the USSR on a cash basis," Reagan said.

The president made his remarks in a speech prepared for the annual convention of the Corn Growers Association. "This administration does not, nor will we have, a grain embargo on the Soviet Union," Reagan said, repeating his frequent criticism of the embargo the Carter administration imposed after the Soviet military move into Afghanistan in December 1979. Reagan said Monday that when he lifted the embargo in March 1981, the U.S. share of the grain imported by the Soviets had fallen from 70 percent to 25 percent.

"Our efforts on behalf of the American farmer suffered a setback, however, with the iron regression of the proud people of Poland," The president said. "After the Soviet Union ignored our calls to aid restoration of basic human rights in Poland, we had no choice but to impose a number of sanctions against both countries, including postponement of negotiations on a new long-term grain agreement with the Soviet Union."

Canada seeks \$2b more from U.S.

NEW YORK, Aug. 2 (R) — Canada is seeking an approximate \$2 billion increase in its \$3 billion revolving fund from U.S. banks, banking sources said Monday.

They said discussions with joint managers of the facility are at a preliminary stage. However, they said it appears that banks that would subscribe to the additional financing would be offered higher rates for the entire facility than exists on the current credit line.

Canadian government officials declined to comment about the increase in the credit line and the Canadian finance department denied such a request had been made.

Canadian government sources said in reply to Reuters question recently that Ottawa would move shortly to replenish its foreign exchange reserves and to finance its growing budget deficit, which total some \$19.6 billion for fiscal 1982/83.

Banking sources said it is for these reasons that Canada is seeking the increase in the facility.

The sources noted that in June of this year,

Canada's foreign exchange reserves fell \$2.3 billion to well under \$3 billion. That decline prompted the government to tap the Eurobond market for a \$750 borrowing.

Canada already has borrowed \$1.5 billion under the credit line which was signed three years ago and expires in 1988. It is expected Canada will draw down the remaining \$1.5 billion when, and if, the facility is increased.

The facility is considered a standby credit and technically is not included in official foreign exchange reserves.

Last October, the maturity of the credit line was extended from 1986. Canada was given the option of whether the terms would be set based on LIBOR or U.S. prime.

The interest rate on the current \$1.5 billion borrowing is 1/4 percentage point over LIBOR or prime.

Banking sources suggested that the new terms, which also would be at Canada's option, would be 1/2 point over LIBOR or 1/4 over prime with a commitment fee of 1/4 percent.

U.K. chalks up trade gain in June

LONDON, Aug. 2 (R) — Britain had a visible trade surplus of 2 million sterling in June compared with a 115 million deficit in May, the trade department said.

The current account surplus is estimated at 152 million sterling compared with a surplus of 35 million in May, after an estimated June invisible surplus of 150 million sterling.

Exports fell to 4.47 billion sterling from 4.62 billion, while imports also declined to 4.47 billion from 4.74 billion, the trade department said.

Visible trade returned to surplus in June despite a reduction in the oil surplus by 150 million sterling to 177 million sterling. A deficit on goods other than oil and erratics, narrowed by 250 million sterling to 212 million, with the improvement spread throughout manufactured goods, it said.

Erratic items include trade in ships, North Sea oil installations, aircraft and precious stones.

In volume terms exports fell 4.5 percent and imports declined seven percent. Imports of crude oil rose by more than 120 million sterling, but arrivals of manufactures, particularly intermediate and capital goods, fell from the high May levels.

A visible surplus of 83 million sterling in

the second quarter compared with a revised surplus of 356 million sterling in the first quarter, second quarter exports were five percent higher by volume than in the first quarter, while second quarter imports rose 6.5 percent by volume. In June 1981 UK trade showed a 170 million sterling surplus.

Foreign Exchange Rates

Quoted at 6:00 p.m. Monday	Cash	Transfer
Bahraini Dinar	9.20	9.14
Bangladesh Taka		74.10
Belgian Franc (1,000)		13.55
Canadian Dollar		275.00
Deutsche Mark (100)	141.75	141.60
Dutch Guilder (100)	128.50	128.30
Egyptian Pound	3.38	3.49
Emirate Dirham (100)	93.40	93.70
French Franc (100)	51.10	50.90
Greek Drachma (1,000)	51.10	50.20
Indian Rupee (100)		36.15
Iranian Rial (100)		
Israeli Dinar	5.75	
Italian Lira (10,000)	25.50	25.30
Japanese Yen (1,000)		13.55
Jordanian Dinar	9.85	9.72
Kuwait Dinar	12.00	11.98
Lebanese Lira (100)	69.00	66.90
Moroccan Dirham (100)	56.00	55.90
Pakistani Rupee (100)		28.45
Philippines Peso (100)		40.95
Pound Sterling	6.05	6.04
Qatari Rial (100)	94.70	94.60
Singapore Dollar (100)		161.35
Sri Lanka Rupee (1,000)		31.10
Swiss Franc (100)	167.00	166.80
Syrian Lira (100)	59.00	60.40
Turkish Lira (1,000)		
U.S. Dollar	3.45	3.44
Yemeni Rial (100)	75.25	75.25

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5	Safina-e-Rehmat	S.C.S.A.	Rice/General	1.8.82
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For season's first crown

Lietzke grabs Canadian Open

OAKVILLE, Canada, Aug. 2 (AP) — Bruce Lietzke fired a 73 and, despite struggling over the final seven holes, held on for a two-stroke victory Sunday in the Canadian Open Golf Championship.

The triumph, his second in this national championship, was Lietzke's first of the season and marked the sixth consecutive year in which he has won at least once.

The triumph was worth \$76,500 from the total purse of \$425,000 and pushed Lietzke's season's earnings to \$206,303. Hal Sutton finished second at 279. He matched par 71 over the final 18 holes. Tommy Valentine shot a 74 and wound up in a tie for third at 280 with veteran Charlee Coody, who closed with four-under-par 67.

The group at 281 included Lou Graham, Johnny Miller, Nick Faldo of Britain, Andy Bean, Vance Heafner and Larry Nelson, who will defend his PGA title at Tulsa, Oklahoma next weekend. Graham shot a closing 68, Miller 69, Faldo Nelson 70, Bean and Heafner 71.

Lietzke started the final round with a two-stroke lead and stayed in front all the way. He stretched the advantage to four strokes after nine holes, led by five with seven holes to go, then had to work hard to hang on. He had to make a 10-footer for a bogey on the 12th, and bogeyed the 13th.

Valentine, playing in the same group with Lietzke, birdied the 13th. Suddenly, Lietzke's lead had been trimmed to two strokes. But Lietzke, the game's most successful cross-handed putter, quickly righted himself. He parred the 14th hole, then gained a three-shot lead when Valentine missed the green and bogeyed the 15th. Lietzke then clinched it with a brilliant approach shot that nestled in some 18 inches from the flat for a tap-in birdie on the 16th.

That left him three in front with two to play. He squandered one stroke when a drive into the gallery set up a bogey on the 17th.

but he managed a hard-working par on the 18th.

In the women's event at Colorado long-hitting Beth Daniel fired a sizzling 8-under-par 64 Sunday, equalling the tourna-



Lietzke...second national triumph

How they finished

Bruce Lietzke	68-68-68-73-277
Hal Sutton	68-68-72-71-279
Tommy Valentine	70-68-68-74-280
Charles Coody	71-70-72-67-280
Los Graham	68-70-75-68-281
Johnny Miller	71-71-70-69-281
Nick Faldo	68-70-73-70-281
Andy Bean	70-71-69-71-281
Vance Heafner	71-72-67-71-281
Larry Nelson	73-71-77-70-281
Peter Oosterhuis	69-73-65-72-283
Greg Norman	71-71-71-76-285
David Graham	68-74-73-71-286
Jack Newton	70-72-70-74-286
Dennis Watson	70-69-71-76-287
Bruce Devlin	71-70-76-71-288
Bob Shearer	74-70-70-70-288

Injury may force Imran out of Lord's Test

EDGBASTON, Aug. 2 (Agencies) — Pakistan captain Imran Khan said Sunday night that he may not be fit to lead his side in the Second Test match against England at Lord's on August 12.

Imran, who played with a leg muscle injury in the first Test at Edgbaston, which England won by 113 runs Sunday, said he almost certainly would not play again until the Lord's match "and I'm a bit worried I won't make that."

Imran said Pakistan officials had applied for a replacement seam bowler to join the squad to play in the intervening County matches. Imran, who gained the man of the match award for his all-round performance — seven wickets in the England's first innings and a fighting 65 on Sunday — said he would have preferred to forfeit the award and win the match.

He said his team would have to bat much better and show more discipline to square the

three-match series at Lord's. "We suffered from nerves which made the batsmen play a lot of unnecessary shots," he said. Losing two wickets in the first over made the task very tough for us. It shook us because in the County matches our openers have got us off to such a good start and we have come to rely on them."

On a more optimistic note, Imran said he hoped his side would be boosted at Lord's by the return of pace man Sarfraz Nawaz, who missed the game here through injury.

Imran said: "In the first innings I was disappointed with the uprising. We thought there were a few decisions, especially lbws, where the batsman got the benefit of the doubt when we were bowling, and then Mudassar and Zaheer didn't get the benefit when we went in to bat."

"We have no complaints, however, about the light this morning. The batsmen were initially worried about it but we bowled at England in their second innings in similar light."

Larkins' explosive 158 just 5 short of mark

LONDON, Aug. 2 (Agencies) — Former England batsman Wayne Larkins came within five runs of a record top score in the John Player League when he smashed a brilliant 158 against Worcestershire at Luton Sunday.

The Northamptonshire opener reached 100 in 86 minutes and blasted six sixes and 12 fours during his 123-minute innings, narrowly failing to beat West Indian Gordon Greenidge's 163, made in 1979.

But Larkins did break one record when he put on 215 in 25 overs with Richard Williams (79) for the best third-wicket stand in the competition. It beat the 188 set by Williams and South African-born Allan Lamb of England in the same fixture last summer.

The partnership was only three runs short of the record stand for any wicket in the league, set in 1976 when Alan Butcher and Geoff Howarth put on 218 for Surrey's first wicket. Larkins' spectacular exhibition helped Northamptonshire amass a formidable 272 for three, but Worcestershire did not give in easily.

ment record and overtaking South African Sally Little to capture the \$200,000 Columbia Savings LPGA Classic.

Daniel wielded a hot putter to finish with a four-round total of 276, 12 under par, which also tied the tournament record Daniel set in winning this event in 1980.

Daniel, who began the day three strokes off the lead, birdied six of the first eight holes for a 6-under 30 on the front side and a 3-stroke lead over Little and Patty Sheehan. Daniel started the day birdie-birdie-birdie, knocking in putts of 15 feet on the first hole and three feet on the third hole. She nearly eagled No. 2, a par-5 which she reached in two with a four-wood that wound up six feet away. Her eagle putt lipped the cup, making her settle for birdie.

After two pars, she ran off three more birdie at 6, 7 and 8 with putts of 10, 20 and 2 feet. Little, the leader of the first three rounds and normally a strong final-round performer, had fallen out of the lead with a double bogey on the par-4 fourth hole.

After a bogey on No. 11, Daniel resumed her sub-par assault with birdies at 12, 14, 15 and 16 before taking bogey at 17.

Sheehan drew within 1 stroke of Daniel after a birdie at 11 but, unable to match Daniel's furious pace, could get no closer. She finished with a 67 and a 278 total for second place, 2 shots behind. Little had 71 to wind up third at 280.

Daniel had 10 birdies in her final round, tying the all-time LPGA record for most birdies in a round. The victory earned Daniel \$30,000, giving her \$180,458, for the season and leaving her in fourth place on the money list.

Sheehan pocketed \$19,600, and Little, the tour's leading money-winner, \$14,000. Sandra Haynie shot 71 Sunday for a 282 total. Pat Bradley, with a 72, was at 283 and defending champion Joanne Carner had 69 for a 284 total.

Imran gave two reasons for his side's defeat: "We have had very inferior opposition in the games leading up to the Test and the batsmen have virtually blasted their way through stands of 150 or more. They probably tried to maintain the same momentum which did not work."

"Also, there was the question of nerves. We do not play a lot of Test cricket and a lot of our batsmen, when the big occasion comes, are a bit too tense for it. In fact, I've only played seven Tests in two and a half years," he said.

England captain, Bob Willis, said he had to force Ian Botham to quit after bowling 21 overs on the trot. But added: "He was so tired, he couldn't retaliate." Willis said Botham's hand was injured before the game and aggravated when he tried to catch Mansoor.

"It was obviously very painful but happily he could grip to the ball," added Willis.



Dusty Baker...in striking form

Over Atlanta Braves

Baker, Guerrero slug Dodgers to fine sweep

NEW YORK, Aug. 2 (AP) — Dusty Baker and Pedro Guerrero hit consecutive seventh-inning home runs Sunday, triggering the Los Angeles Dodgers to a 9-4 victory and a sweep of their four-game series with the Atlanta Braves.

Baker came back with his second homer of the game and his 20th of the season in the eighth inning, a two-run shot that followed Ken Landreaux's RBI single. Baker's homer in the seventh off Carlos Diaz, 2-1, broke a 4-4 tie and Guerrero gave the Dodgers a two-run cushion with his 20th off Diaz.

The series sweep, chopped Atlanta's National League West lead to six games over second-place San Diego, and 6 1-2 over the defending world champion Dodgers. The victory went to Dave Stewart, 6-6, who worked the final four innings without yielding a run.

Atlanta had taken a 4-0 lead in the first inning when Chris Chambliss hit the fourth Grand-Slam homer of his career. But the Dodgers began chopping away at Atlanta starter Phil Neikro and finally tied the game on Bill Russell's sacrifice fly in the fifth following a 47-minute rain delay.

Elsewhere in the NL, Al Oliver capped a three-run rally in the seventh inning with a run-scoring single as Montreal came from behind to defeat St. Louis 5-4.

Leon Durham hit a two-run, first-inning home run and Chicago went on to beat Philadelphia 7-2 and snap an eight-game losing streak. Terry Kennedy smashed three hits and Sixto Lezcano doubled home two runs, highlighting an early scoring spree that carried San Diego to an 8-6 victory over Cincinnati.

Bill Madlock's tie-breaking home run with two out in the 10th inning lifted the Pittsburgh Pirates to a 4-3 victory over the New York Mets.

In the American League, Lee May's pinch single triggered a four-run eighth-inning rally that carried Kansas City to a 4-2 victory and a four-game sweep of Baltimore.

Ed Whitson and Dan Spillner combined to pitch a four-hitter and Rick Manning hit a two-run double, leading Cleveland to a 4-1 victory over Milwaukee in the first game of a doubleheader. The Brewers came back to win the nightcap 7-2 as Don Money drove in three runs with a double and single.

Lou Whitaker highlighted a 17-hit attack with a three-run homer as Detroit snapped a four-game losing streak with an 8-5 victory over Toronto. Harold Baines' two-run homer in the fifth inning following a two-out error carried Chicago to a 4-2 victory over Boston.

Fred Lynn drove in four runs with a single and double and Doug Decinces slammed a three-run homer as California buried Seattle 9-4. Home runs by Tom Brunansky and Gary Ward in the seventh inning and Gary Gaetti in the ninth powered Minnesota to an 8-7 victory over Oakland.

In an AL night game, rookie Dave Hostetler drove in all four Texas runs with a pair of homers, including a tie-breaking three-run shot in the sixth inning, to give the Rangers a 5-2 victory over the New York Yankees for their second triumph in three games under manager Darrell Johnson.

In the NL, Jack Clark hit his 20th home run of the season, a two-run shot in the 10th inning, to lift the San Francisco Giants to a 4-2 win over the Houston Astros.

Baseball standings

American League				National League			
W	L	Pct.	GB	W	L	Pct.	GB
Eastern Division				Eastern Division			
Milwaukee	59	43	.578	Philadelphia	58	43	.574
Boston	58	44	.569	St. Louis	58	43	.563
Baltimore	54	45	.545	Pittsburgh	54	46	.540
Detroit	51	49	.510	Montreal	54	47	.535
New York	50	48	.510	New York	45	57	.441
Cleveland	50	50	.500	Chicago	41	65	.387
Toronto	48	53	.475	Atlanta	61	41	.598
Western Division				Western Division			
California	59	44	.573	San Diego	56	48	.538
Kansas City	57	44	.564	Los Angeles	56	49	.533
Chicago	52	49	.515	San Francisco	50	54	.481
Seattle	52	51	.505	Houston	46	56	.451
Oakland	44	61	.419	Cincinnati	38	66	.365
Texas	40	59	.401				

Vromans, Lackey in keen tussle

NAMUR, Belgium Aug. 2 (AP) — Belgium's Andre Vromans moved to within four points of leader Brad Lackey of the United States in the 500cc World Cross-Country Motorcycling standings at Sunday's Belgian Grand Prix here.

Vromans, on a Suzuki, charged to a first place Sunday, two seconds ahead of Lackey, also on Suzuki, in the first encounter of the Belgian Grand Prix. In the second, race Vromans placed second while his American rival came in fourth after a bad start that left

him in last place right from the beginning.

With only one event left on the international agenda — the Luxembourg Grand Prix next Sunday — Lackey retains the overall lead with 206 points with Vromans in second place with 202 points. Before the Belgian Grand Prix, Lackey had 186 points, 11 more than Vromans.

"I intend to attack next week in Luxembourg," Vromans said after the race. "I'm very pleased with today's result." Thirteen additional points are to be won at the Luxembourg Grand Prix.

Meanwhile, former world motor-cycle champion Barry Sheene who suffered severe injuries in a 160 mph crash at Silverstone last week, was able to watch the British Grand Prix on television.

His parents and friend Stephanie McLean were at his bedside at Northampton General Hospital where he has been since the eight-hour operation last Thursday to piece together his shattered leg with no fewer than 26 steel pins.

He is still in constant pain following the operation and a hospital spokesman said he is "drowsy from the effects of the drugs he is being given after the operation."

Consultant Surgeon Nigel Cobb who performed the operation said: "He tried to stay cheerful but his body is a mass of bruises and he has mammoth injuries."

But the doctor added: "He is a remarkable young man. I do not think he should 'rue' again but equally I do not think he will take my advice."

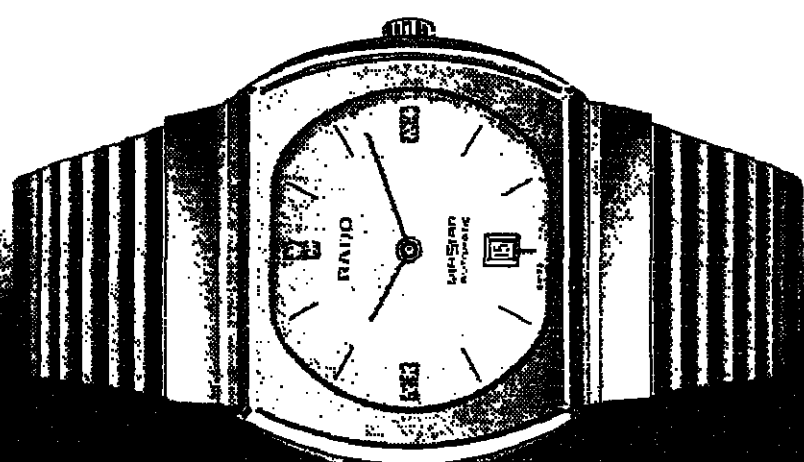


Imran Khan...man of the match



Larkins...shares record stand

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RADO

Ayala maintains unbeaten streak

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Aug. 2 (AP) — Unbeaten Tony Ayala, the United States' latest boxing sensation, unleashed a barrage of body punches to stop Robbie Epps in the first round of a junior middleweight bout Sunday afternoon.

Ayala, 154 pounds, penetrated the reach of Epps, 156 1/2 pounds, and staggered his opponent several times before pinning him in his corner for a forceful battering.

Referee Dick Cole stepped in to stop the fight 1:32 into the round, but Ayala continued punching Epps and had to be pulled away by his father, Tony Ayala (Senior), and his manager, Lou Duva.

Ayala, 19, upped his record to 21-0 with his 19th knockout. The American boxer is ranked third by the World Boxing Association. He said he hopes to face former lightweight and welterweight champion Roberto Duran in November.

Asiad tickets on sale

NEW DELHI, India, Aug. 2 (AP) — Admission tickets for the 9th Asian Games starting Nov. 19 in New Delhi went on sale throughout India Sunday.

Sunday's quota of tickets for the Games' opening ceremony was quickly sold out in New Delhi, where purchasers started queuing long before dawn at nine sale centers. More were to be sold Monday.

Sales were less brisk for most sports events, and outside of the capital they were reported slow.

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On a day marred by protest

Schneider sinks world record

GUAYAQUIL, Ecuador, Aug. 2 (R) — East Germany's Petra Schneider surged to the first world record of the World Swimming Championships with an astonishing surge of power in the 400 meters individual medley.

The 19-year-old Olympic champion from Karlsruhe showed her speed right from the start — she was a body-length ahead by the 150-meter mark — to win the gold medal in 4:36.10 minutes, beating the world mark of 4:36.29 she set in Moscow in 1980.

The big surprise of the first day's racing Sunday was the split-second defeat of Rowdy Gaines, America's 200 meters freestyle world record-holder. He was pipped at the post by 18-year-old West German student Michael Gross who surged out of a perfect last turn to touch home eight-hundredths of a

second ahead. But a thrilling photo-finish win by Atlanta-born Steve Lundquist in the 100 meters breaststroke final went some way toward compensating U.S. disappointment. The 21-year-old world record-holder made up a fractional loss of speed in the turn to grab the gold from Canada's Victor Davis.

The other event of the day, the women's 100-meter freestyle went much as predicted with East German powerhouse Birgit Meineke staving off a strong challenge from Annemarie Verstappen of the Netherlands. Jill Sterkel of the U.S. took the bronze.

Schneider's performance had the packed stadium in Guayaquil, Ecuador, on its feet cheering her to the record. The neck-and-neck battle for the silver went almost unnoticed as defending world champion

Tracy Caulkins of the U.S. was beaten by the other East German Kathleen Nord.

"It was pretty sure after 200 meters that I would win," Schneider said afterwards. "I expected that Tracy would be a much tougher and much closer, and I was surprised that Kathleen beat her."

Caulkins, 19, who won dive golds at the last championships in West Berlin four years ago, lost ground on the backstroke leg. "I was really disappointed that I couldn't beat Nord for second, but there wasn't enough left on the freestyle," she said.

Gaines was clearly stunned by his defeat and slumped against the poolside for about a minute after the other competitors had left the water. "She's devastated," said a close friend. "He came second four years ago. He didn't come here to come second."

The usually ebullient American had expected more trouble from East German rival Jorg Woithe, who took the bronze, and had even hoped to break his 1:48.93 world record. Gross' winning time was 1:49.84.

Though delighted with his own gold medal, Lundquist was not satisfied with his race. "I swam it better in the trials. The last 12 meters I dropped low in the water and definitely slowed down." Californian John Moffet beat Britain's Adrian Moorhouse to the bronze by two-hundredths of a second.

The day's racing left the United States still leading the medals stakes with three of each. East Germany leapfrogged into second place with two golds, a silver and a bronze.

The U.S. looked set for another gold in the diving with favorite Greg Louganis showing top class in the men's springboard diving. Louganis, 22, won the elimination round with 687.33 points.

But the preliminaries were marred by a protest by the United States, who criticized the starting equipment and said a malfunction had robbed Rich Saeger of his qualifying chance in the men's 200 meters freestyle.

A statement issued by U.S. spokesman Randall Hart said the team was disappointed at the organizers' decision to reject an American protest over the third heat in which Saeger finished sixth. Both Saeger of Mission Viejo, California, and eighth-placed Sweden Pelle Holmertz stopped during the first length of the heat, apparently believing there had been a false start, and were unable to make up the difference later.

Officials of the International Amateur Swimming Federation (FINA) met after the race but decided to allow the result to stand with the two swimmers eliminated from the final. "We are very disappointed with the decision of the FINA bureau," the U.S. statement said. "We feel that neither Rich Saeger, Pelle Holmertz, nor the other athletes in the heat in question were given a fair opportunity to qualify for the finals."

The statement said the two swimmers, who were seeded first and second in the heat, heard the starter's pistol after the electronic starting-signal relayed to the swimmers. "We believe there was a mechanical problem, as the gunshot and the electronic sound were not simultaneous," the statement said. "It is obvious from the television video tape of the start that the other swimmers in the heat also heard this and reacted to it as if there were a false start."

The swimmers had already made two false starts before the incident and, under FINA rules, at the third attempt the race must be completed regardless of whether the start was valid. "We appreciate the protest procedure of the FINA Bureau and we feel we were given a fair hearing within that procedure," the U.S. team said. "However, we cannot agree with the decision, due to the obvious inconsistency of the electronic equipment, the review of the television video tape and the comments of the swimmers involved."

Romanian girls leap to new mark

BUCHAREST, Aug. 2 (R) — Two Romanian athletes broke the world record for the women's long jump in rapid succession here Sunday night with Vali Ionescu setting a new best mark with a leap of 7.20 meters.

Ionescu's performance, at the Romanian National Athletic Championships, followed only a few minutes after Anisoara Cusmir had jumped 7.15 meters, surpassing the previous record of 7.09 meters held by Wilma Bardauskene of the Soviet Union.

Ionescu, who turns 22 this month, set the new world record with her sixth jump against a headwind of 0.5 meters a second, officials said. Cusmir, 20, had a wind of 0.3 meters a second when she bettered the previous world mark on her fifth leap.

Ionescu, who won bronze medals at this year's indoor European Athletic Championships at Milan and at the World University Games in Bucharest last year, said afterward: "I am happy. It was difficult when Anisoara reached 7.15 meters, because I had only one attempt left. I think I made a perfect jump."

Soviets top in World Canoeing

BELGRADE, Aug. 2 (AFP) — The Soviet Union saved their best until the last day of the 17th World Canoe and Kayak Championships here Sunday, and finished at the head of the medal winners' table.

At the end of Saturday's competition, East Germany appeared to be well on the road to overall victory, but the Soviets picked up four gold medals, three silver and two bronze Sunday to confirm their superiority.

Against that impressive total, the East Germans could manage only two gold and two silver Sunday, and were even forced into third place by Hungary, who added a further silver medal and no fewer than five bronze medals to their total.

But the East Germans had an unexpected bonus, taking their only bronze medal of the championships — by default.

The Romanian pair of Ivan Pacajkin and Toma Simonov were disqualified from third place in Saturday's men's 1,000 meters C2 event, as Simonov was an hour and a half late arriving for the obligatory doping test. The East German pair of Olaf Heukrodt and Uwe Madija, who finished fourth, were therefore



RELAXING: Khaled Ahmed Hassan of Cairo relaxes on the shore of Shakespear beach before swimming the English Channel Sunday. Hassan, whose left leg was amputated at the age of 10 following a car accident, is the first amputee to cross the Channel. A deaf and dumb Indian, Taranath Shenoy, who also took the plunge, failed in his attempt.

Against Ramirez in final

Noah's serve serves him well

SOUTH ORANGE, New Jersey, Aug. 2 (AP) — Top-seeded Yannick Noah of France, his serve in top form, fought off a tenacious second-set challenge to defeat Mexican Raul Ramirez 6-3, 7-6 (7-2) and win a \$125,000 clay court tennis tournament.

"My serve is really good now. I know how to use it," said Noah, who won the final six points of the tiebreaker in the Mutual Benefit Life Open at the Orange Lawn Tennis Club.

Ramirez struggled to break Noah with the score 4-4 in the second set. But France's premier player, a Cameroon native who is ranked 12th in the world, sliced two aces for a 5-4 lead, and sizzled with another pair of aces to go up 6-5.

The second-seeded Ramirez was moving well, forcing Noah from his preferred baseline game. But Ramirez had trouble using his serve effectively. He double faulted three times in the final set, including once in the final game. Ramirez was holding a comfortable 40-0 lead when he double faulted and then prevailed to send the game into a tiebreaker.

In the first set, Noah outran Ramirez and broke his serve twice. To reach the final, Noah beat defending champion Shlomo Glickstein in the semifinals after turning back 17-year-old Jimmy Arias and fourth-seeded John James of Australia. Ramirez downed Mike Cahill in the semifinals, and earlier eliminated Jay Lapidus and India's Ramesh Krishnan.

Tony Roche meanwhile, scrambled from behind to beat Jaime Fillof of Chile 2-6, 6-2, 6-2 Sunday for the championship of the \$35,000 Xerox Grand Masters Tournament.

Steve Moyers nets late winner

EAST RUTHERFORD, New Jersey, Aug. 2 (AP) — Briton Steve Hunt and Steve Moyers scored in the final 6 1/2 minutes as the Cosmos clinched their fifth straight North American Soccer League Eastern Division Championship Sunday night with a 3-2 victory over the Montreal Manic.

Hunt tied the game at 83:39 when he knocked the ball into an empty net. Giorgio Chinaglia and Ivan Buljan of Yugoslavia were credited with assists on Hunt's ninth goal of the season.

Moyers, a second-half substitute, scored the winning goal at 86:22 when he headed in a free kick by Carlos Alberto. The Cosmos, 21-6, took a 1-0 lead at 26:16 when Roberto Cabanas of Paraguay headed in a cross pass from Hunt.

Montreal tied the score at 57:29 on Briton Alan Wiley's 12th goal and took the lead about seven minutes later when Dragan Vujovic of Yugoslavia tallied an unassisted goal. The second largest Giants Stadium crowd of the season, 38,981, attended the game, which included ceremonies honoring Italy's 1982 World Cup champions.

awarded the bronze medal.

But the Romanians had the last word, gaining revenge for their disqualification by taking the gold in the 10,000 meters C2 event Sunday.

Another disqualification Sunday saw the Great Britain four-man kayak team robbed of a silver medal in the 10,000 meters K4 event, after they finished behind the Soviet team.

The judges ruled that they impeded the Swedish team after 500 meters of the race, leading to a collision which forced the Yugoslavians and Norwegians to abandon the race. Romania were awarded the silver medal, and Hungary the bronze.

The individual discovery of the championships was undoubtedly Olaf Heukrodt of East Germany. A bronze medalist in the Moscow Olympics two years ago and still only 20, Heukrodt revealed himself to be a major force, particularly in the manner in which he dominated the men's C1 500 meters event.

At the end of the competition, the Soviet Union and Hungary both finished with a total of 11.

Salah Assad signs for French club

ALGIERS, Algeria, Aug. 2 (AP) — The star player of Algeria's World Cup soccer team, left winger Salah Assad, has signed a three-year contract with the French First Division club FC Mulhouse, the Algerian Football Federation (FAF) announced late Sunday.

The contract was signed after discussions in Algiers between officials of FAF, FC Mulhouse, Assad's former Algerian first Division Club, RS Kouba, and the player.

The contract stipulates that Assad will be freed to play for the Algerian national team and that "a large part of the sign-on bonus will be repatriated to Algeria."

Controversy surrounded Assad's transfer abroad when the official Algerian daily *El Moudjahid* reported July 28 that Assad had signed with Mulhouse without prior consent from the FAF, which then refused him permission to transfer pending further negotiations.

In an interview with *El Moudjahid* published Monday but conducted before the contract was signed, Assad said he had been approached by Real Madrid, Munchen Gladbach, Eintracht Frankfurt, the French Clubs Saint Etienne, Paris Saint-Germain, Bastia, and Bordeaux, Coventry in England, and some Swiss clubs.

Rix to play for Arsenal

Meanwhile, England World Cup player Graham Rix and Northern Ireland goalkeeper Pat Jennings both have signed new contracts with English First Division team Arsenal, club officials confirmed Monday.

Midfielder Rix had been considering a move to Italy, but inked a new three-year contract, Jennings, 36, who also played in the World Cup finals in Spain, signed a one-year contract.

Arsenal, hoping to bid for the English League Championship this season, also purchased two new players during the summer.

Manager Terry Neil clinched the signings of England international striker Tony Woodcock from FC Cologne and Yugoslav international Vladimir Petrovic from Red Star Belgrade.

Maradona speaks out

In an interview with the Madrid daily *El Pais*, Argentina's Diego Maradona said he has two main goals since joining FC Barcelona.

First to rid himself of unpleasant memories of his disappointing performance in the World Cup and second to show his new teammates that he is ready to take his part in the team with no thoughts of playing the star.

"No one lost more than I did in the World Cup. No one had invested more in it than I did. Four years preparing for the World Cup, playing, avoiding injury, of total concentration, of taking care of myself. Four years. For what? I will suffer for it all my life," he added.

Asked to analyze the causes of his failure at the attacking Argentinian was defensive. "No I didn't fail. I did all I could have done. A player never fails alone. He can play better or worse but he never loses alone."

"One player can be better than another, but if the other doesn't run enough to make up the difference or doesn't play his part, there is nothing the better player can do."

As for his new role with Barcelona, Maradona, who said he slept wearing his new team's strip, said his main concern was doing nothing to make it difficult to gain acceptance from his new teammates. "To me we are all equal," he said.

"If I am worth the number 10 position I shall win it on the field. I definitely do not want to play the star. Nor do I want to be taken for the savior of the team," he said.



Smid...sweats purse

Tracy triumphs in baseline duel

RANCHO BERNARDO, California, Aug. 2 (AP) — Top-seeded Tracy Austin won a battle of the baseline Sunday defeating second-seeded Kathy Rinaldi 7-6, 6-3 in the championship match of the \$125,000 Wells Fargo Open Women's Tennis Tournament.

By winning the 2 1/2-hour match, Austin extended her streak of victories in this tournament to 20. Austin has won the singles title in each of the four Wells Fargo events. Austin, 19, earned \$22,000 while Rinaldi, 15, collected \$11,000. The championship match, the first ever between Austin and Rinaldi, was played in sweltering conditions as temperatures exceeded 100 degrees on the Rancho Bernardo Inn Court.

The turning point of the first set and ultimately the match came in the 10th game. Rinaldi led 5-4 and had a love-40 lead with Austin serving. However, Austin fought back to 30-40 and then tied the game by winning a rally that went on for an estimated 120 shots.

Austin won the point by hitting a drop shot that landed on the line. Austin went on to win the game, making it 5-5, the players each held service to set up a tiebreaker, which Austin won 7-5. The first set lasted one hour, 43 minutes.

Rinaldi broke service in the third game of the second set to take a 2-1 lead, but Austin broke back to make it 2-2. After the players

held service, Austin captured the next three games to end the match.

Meanwhile Susan Mascarini overcame fatigue Sunday to defeat Beth Norton, 6-3, 3-6, 6-3 in opening round action of the 73rd U.S. Open Clay Court Championships.

Other first-round winners included Czechoslovakia's Renatta Tomanova, South African Susan Rollinson, Pila Vasquez of Peru, Vicky Nelson, Jennifer Mundel, Ann Hendrickson, Kathleen Cummings and Dana Gilbert.

None of the top-seeded women played Sunday. The women's field has been weakened by an eight-player tournament in Australia that drew top names including defending champion Andrea Jaeger and Chris Evert Lloyd, who has won the tournament here five times. Virginia Ruzici of Romania is top-seeded in Indiana with teenager Kathy Rinaldi seeded No.2. Men's action begins Monday with Argentines Guillermo Vilas and defending champion Jose Luis Clerc having received the top two seedings.

Romania's Virginia Ruzici won the South Orange women's singles final with a 5-7, 6-2, 6-2 victory over Leigh Ann Thompson of the United States. Ruzici, failed to get a grip on her game in the first set. But once she got going, the Romanian breezed through the next two for the title.

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Traffic paralyzed

Japan typhoon kills 80, destroys houses

TOKYO, Aug. 2 (AFP) — Typhoon Bess pounded the main Japanese island of Honshu early Monday, cutting a swath of destruction that left at least 80 persons dead, 33 others missing and about 80 injured, police reported.

The typhoon slammed into the island just before the end of the longest rainy season in the country's history and a week after torrential rains killed more than 380 persons in Nagasaki, western Japan.

Bess, the 10th typhoon to hit the Japanese islands this year, smashed and flooded thousands of houses, triggered landslides, cut power lines, and washed out roads and bridges. Rail and highway traffic was paralyzed in many areas.

A revised tabulation by the National Police agency showed that at least 114 houses were totally or partially destroyed, 14 washed away, and 17,160 flooded in the typhoon that hit Japan's Pacific coast around midnight.

Roads collapsed or were seriously damaged at 488 places and 42 bridges were swept away, the agency said. The rains also triggered 785 landslides. The storm dropped 50 to 200 millimeters of rain in the plains and 150 to 850 millimeters in the mountains, weathermen said.

The typhoon landed at the Atsumi peninsula on the Pacific coast in Aichi prefecture and roared over Gifu and Toyama prefec-

tures in central Honshu island before blowing out to the Sea of Japan in the early morning hours.

Even after the typhoon reached a point about 30 kilometers off Wajima city, western Japan, at around 5 a.m., downpours and strong winds continued to lash the central part of the country.

In Yamanashi prefecture, an avalanche hit some 30 passenger cars on the Chuo expressway, killing one person and injuring several others, police said. They said searches were launched for other people reported missing in the landslide. Two persons were killed when a boulder hit house near Tokyo.

Train runs on 32 lines of the national railway were stopped although service on some of them resumed later, railway authorities said.

In Osaka, 106 commuter train cars were flooded in Tennoji station and their motors will have to be replaced, railway officials said.

In other parts of the country, 58,000 houses were left without electricity in Tokyo and at least three ships reportedly ran aground or were damaged in collisions in Tokyo Bay.

Meanwhile, the Meteorological Agency here announced that the protracted rainy season which set in on June 12 in Tokyo and its vicinity ended Monday, 15 days later than usual.

Cheysson wants row with U.S. ended soon

PEKING, Aug. 2 (AFP) — The "quarrel" between the United States and West Europe cannot be allowed to last, French External Affairs Minister Claude Cheysson said at a press conference here Monday.

Cheysson, who is ending a four-day visit to China, said the quarrel "is serious. We have too many interests in common for it to last". Cheysson was alluding to the strong reaction in Europe to the American decision to put an embargo on the use of U.S. technology for a planned Siberia-Europe gas pipeline, to include equipment built under U.S. license.

Cheysson, referring to a statement by U.S. President Ronald Reagan said "the American president called it a family quarrel. He is right because we belong to the same family as regards defense against the totalitarian regimes of the east."

"We are in the same alliance, we relate to the same economic system and we have the same opinions on a great number of problems", Cheysson said. "But we consider that the decisions taken unilaterally by the Americans without consulting us have serious economic repercussions and threaten employment in our countries", he added.

He criticized the Americans for failing to "sufficiently examine the problems of their allies when they take decisions at home. The striking thing is that all European countries say the same", he said.

Cheysson remarked: "We Europeans are convinced that we are right. The Americans will come to understand that we are right".

Cheysson said France and China were in disagreement over the situation in Cambodia. Cheysson, who met with Vice Chairman Deng Xiaoping, Premier Zhao Ziyang and Foreign Minister Huang Hua, said France did not support the newly formed coalition of movements opposed to the Vietnamese-backed regime in power in Phnom Penh.

"We do not recognize any Cambodian government nor do we see the possibility now of recognizing one," he said. He underlined France's "revulsion" for the Khmer Rouge, a component of the new coalition supported by China which also groups movements led by Prince Norodom Sihanouk and former Premier Son Sann.

Chinese authorities hoped France would offer some assistance to the opposition coalition but Paris has no intention of helping "any resistance movement (in Cambodia) whatsoever", Cheysson said.

China has openly criticized France's recent rapprochement with Vietnam which has included a resumption of economic aid. Cheysson said the French government would maintain its contacts with Vietnam, explaining that their relations "could prove useful in the future."

Besides the Cambodian situation, Cheysson brought up the following points:

Nuclear power plants: An agreement in principle for the construction by France of nuclear power plants in China will have to be "adjusted" to take into account recent Chinese austerity measures, he said.

Arms sales: Cheysson said France is ready to consider furnishing China with defensive arms. He said France was "not closed to any discussion with China whose defense potential could be reinforced by French arms or by Chinese arms built with (French help)."

Cultural exchanges: Paris hopes China will create French language courses for Chinese television or radio.

The French foreign minister also said he had brought up the question of Li Shuang, a young Chinese artist sentenced recently to two years in a re-education camp. Miss Li had been engaged to a French diplomat formerly stationed here.

Cheysson, however, would make no comment on the sentence, saying: "The more one speaks about (specific human rights cases), the less chance one has of finding a solution."

Soldier injured in Belfast blast

BELFAST, Northern Ireland, Aug. 2 (AP) — A booby-trapped car exploded in central Belfast early Monday, seriously injuring a soldier, police said.

The victim, a member of Britain's locally recruited Ulster Defense Regiment, was trapped inside the wreckage for some time. Police said he suffered severe leg injuries.

The Irish National Liberation Army, a faction of the outlawed Irish Republican Army, claimed responsibility for the bombing and two other attacks in County Londonderry last week.

In a message to news organizations, the group warned it would be intensifying its campaign against Northern Ireland's security forces.

The explosion came three days after police warned of a new type of terrorist bomb, a length of slim, black plastic tubing packed with explosives that can be attached to a car with magnets.

The IRA and its factions have waged a 13-year guerrilla war to oust the British from Protestant-dominated Northern Ireland and unite the province with the mainly Roman Catholic Irish Republic.

Economic situation worsens

Coup bid may dent Kenya's image

NAIROBI, Aug. 2 (AFP) — Kenya's stable image as a tourist paradise in its 19 years of independence could be badly dented by Sunday's attempted coup against President Daniel Arap Moi. He took office peacefully in 1978 after the country's first President Jomo Kenyatta died. Moi then freed all political prisoners.

But signs appeared in the past few months which suggested something was going wrong. A handful of "radical" MPs issued harsh denunciations of alleged corruption.

The economic situation worsened to the extent that the authorities had to cut imports because of a shortage of foreign exchange. Another aspect was unemployment, with a minister just a few days ago citing the figure of 200 workers a week being laid off.

Politically, there was rivalry for positions of power within the country's sole legal party, the Kenya African National Union (KANU) ahead of internal party elections for which a date has yet to be set.

These developments aroused increasingly lively criticism, particularly from former Vice-President Oginga Odinga. President Moi's response was to issue increasingly severe warnings to "dissidents."

In May and June, clandestine publications of a Marxist nature began to circulate surreptitiously, including *Pambana*, the publication organ of a Dec. 12 Movement (the date on Kenya's independence). The authorities had recourse to detention without trial, which had been in absence since

Kenyatta's death.

Seven persons, four of them university lecturers were officially stated to be in such detention. Sunday's would-be coup-makers said they intended to free them. It is not yet known if they had time to do so. Other people have been brought to court for possession of seditious literature. Two weeks ago, a journalist who was an unsuccessful parliamentary candidate was jailed for four and a half years on that count.

At the end of June, parliament unanimously passed a constitutional amendment making Kenya a one-party state. President Moi also said detention without trial would continue to be used.

The *Standard* newspaper, often regarded as a government mouthpiece, then caused a sensation by criticizing the detentions in an editorial last month. Its author, editor in chief George Tithi, was sacked immediately by the board of directors. The government subsequently impounded his passport.

But nobody expected a military coup and it was generally held that there was no really organized opposition to the government. That the abortive takeover should apparently have been mounted by the air force surprised diplomats here. That branch of the armed forces, though it recently acquired planes from the United States, was not viewed as a powerful factor.

Adding to perplexity was the anonymity of the rebels. During their brief access to the radio to announce a "government of redemption" they did not identify any of themselves. The possibility of links with the uni-

versity was raised when a message of undergraduate support for the putsch was broadcast.

In the view of Western nations, Kenya was the only safe and stable East African country. Agreements signed with the United States have put military facilities at Washington's disposal.

The capital Nairobi is a Western shop-window for businessmen, bankers and safari enthusiasts. But of its population of nearly one million, about a quarter throng shanty towns on the outskirts. Those slums contrast with the tall modern blocks of the city center, where the stores for the expatriate community and the tourist shops were looted Sunday.

Kenya as a whole has one of the world's highest birthrates which at nearly four percent is too much for employment openings and agricultural output to keep pace with. A pitiless crackdown can be expected following the failed coup, according to diplomats. The business world is expected to be more hesitant to invest, and tourists more chary of coming to Kenya.

The Indian community which dominates the commercial sector will probably try as quickly as possible to secure its funds more safely.

Among Kenya's neighbors, long-simmering tension in the Horn of Africa between Somalia and Ethiopia flared up again a month ago. Uganda is making poor headway. Tanzania's economy is increasingly tottery. Now Kenya could in turn become another shaky domino in the region.

In Mindanao region

Filipino panel to probe army abuse

MANILA, Aug. 2 (AFP) — The Philippine Council for Human Rights Monday announced it will investigate alleged military abuses — including the bombing of villages — in western Mindanao island.

A fact-finding mission will go to the Mount Malindang area along the border of three southern Philippine provinces, some 830 kilometers southeast of Manila, scene of the reported incidents.

According to reports, three persons were killed and eight others, including a four-month-old baby, were wounded when Philippine Air Force planes bombed Bayog town in southern Zamboanga Del Sur on May 25.

Philippine military authorities confirmed the bombing mission but said the air force was undertaking operations against a suspected Communist encampment in a government forestry reserve where residents were not supposed to be.

Cases of looting, pillaging, rape, and murder of civilians by anti-insurgency operatives have also been reported. Another report said two members of the ethnic Subanon tribe fell from a military helicopter some time last April.

In another unrelated development, President Ferdinand E. Marcos on Monday outlawed the making, importation and sale of genuine-looking toy guns and toy explosives, saying hoodlums had used them in crime.

A presidential presidential palace in Manila said Marcos ordered Defense Minister Juan Ponce Enrile and the armed forces chief to confiscate all such toy weapons "in the interest of public safety and general welfare."

The order coincided with increasing newspaper reports about major crimes, including holdups, in the capital.

Sri Lanka town calm

COLOMBO, Aug. 2 (AFP) — Calm has returned to the riot-stricken town of Galle, 115 kilometers south of here, and the situation is returning to normal, an official source said here Monday. The curfew has also been relaxed one hour and is to operate from 8:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m.

Troops and police were rushed to the area last week after Sinhala-Muslim riots erupted in Galle leaving two dead and over 75 injured.

Bodies of 3 tourists found in Zimbabwe

HARARE, Zimbabwe, Aug. 2 (AP) — A family member Monday identified three bodies found in a tourist region of eastern Zimbabwe as those of three British travelers missing since July 14, authoritative sources said.

Henry Frankard of Harare made the identifications based on the clothing on the bodies, the sources said. The victims were Frankard's brother, 32-year-old Richard Frankard, his sister Nikola, 24, and a friend, Alison Jones, 23, all from London.

The bodies were found in the Inyanga Mountains near the Mozambique border, an area traditionally loyal to Prime Minister Robert Mugabe.

On the opposite side of the country, troops pressed their manhunt for six other foreigners kidnapped July 23 by ex-guerrillas loyal to ousted opposition cabinet member Joshua Nkomo.

On Sunday, Mugabe accused Nkomo supporters of trying to start a tribal war between Mugabe's dominant Shona people and Nkomo's minority Matabele people of western Zimbabwe, where the two Americans, two Britons and two Australians were kidnapped July 23.

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Athens	23	73	34	93	cloudy
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Bangkok	27	81	33	91	clear
Beirut	22	72	39	84	clear
Berlin	18	64	30	86	clear
Brussels	14	57	26	79	clear
Buenos Aires	6	40	17	62	clear
Cairo	23	73	35	95	clear
Caracas	19	66	25	79	cloudy
Chicago	18	64	30	86	clear
Copenhagen	16	61	30	86	clear
Dublin	13	55	19	66	cloudy
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Geneva	11	52	25	77	clear
Helsinki	14	57	21	70	clear
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Honolulu	25	77	32	89	cloudy
Jakarta	23	73	32	90	cloudy
Kuala Lumpur	22	74	33	91	rain
Lima	14	57	19	66	cloudy
London	18	64	27	81	clear
Los Angeles	20	67	28	82	cloudy
Madrid	18	64	27	81	clear
Manila	25	77	32	90	clear
Mexico City	14	57	24	75	cloudy
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Montreal	15	59	28	82	cloudy
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Taipei	25	77	34	93	rain
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